



To Parents/Carers of Maiden Erlegh Trust Schools

14 June 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

As you are aware, earlier in the academic year, Maiden Erlegh Trust applied to open a new secondary school in north Reading. Following a rigorous selection process, we are delighted to announce that the Department for Education (DfE) has approved our application to open a new school.

The full press release is available on our website <u>www.maidenerleghtrust.org</u>.

We understand that taking on such a project is both a privilege and a responsibility. We believe that the Trust is in a position today, where we can grow again and that this growth will add value and present opportunities for staff and students in our current schools. The approval of our application is a huge endorsement both of the quality of our work with our current schools, and of our capacity and readiness to work on another school project.

We will now begin work to develop what will become a thriving and exceptional school. We are looking forward to working with colleagues, partners and the new school's community along with local businesses and Reading Borough Council to make this project a success.

We would like to congratulate and thank all staff and governors who shared our vision for this school, and worked tirelessly on putting together what was a very strong application.

Yours sincerely

Mr Nick Jones Chair of Maiden Erlegh Trust

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Miss Mary Davies Chief Executive Officer Maiden Erlegh Trust