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Dear Parent/Carer,

Now that our first full week of the new school year is over, and all of our Reception children have started, I wanted to drop you a line with some further information. Now that all of our Reception children have joined the school, I’d also like to extend my previous welcome to those parents and carers whose child has just started their school career her at St Mary’s. I hope you’ll find that our door is always open if you ever have any queries or concerns.

This is also the first full school year when we will be operating within the Genesis Education Trust (GET). Existing parents will recall that GET, a multi-academy trust (MAT), was jointly set up on 1st April this year by St Mary’s, its sister school St Saviour’s and St Margaret’s CofE Primary in Barking. All three schools, in conjunction with the Diocese of Chelmsford, are passionate that every child makes the best possible progress and completes their primary school career at a good level of attainment, ready for the challenges of secondary school and life beyond.

With St Mary’s, St Saviour’s and St Margaret’s as three Church of England schools with similar ethos and values, we are in an ideal position to lend assistance and support to each other. The MAT set-up also allows us to share effective procedures and policies – as well as affording increased buying power, as three schools together, helping us to get the best value for money possible for the monies which each school receives and then uses to purchase resources for the benefit of every child.

I am also writing to let you know that Mrs Faye Rider - who has led St Mary’s CofE Primary, in Walthamstow to Oftsed Outstanding status and national teaching school designations - will sadly be leaving us at Christmas. She travels for over an hour to work and has decided to take up a headship at a school much closer to home. I, and all of the staff at St Mary’s and St Saviour’s would like to extend our heart-felt thanks to her for the hard work she has carried out over the years at both schools and to wish her good luck in her new, exciting role.

As per my previous letter, you will know that Mrs Rider is currently spending part of her week supporting at St Margaret’s and that Mr Ogle is managing St Mary’s on a day-to-day basis. This will continue until a new head is appointed. One of the benefits of federation and MAT status is that we are able to fund the in-built leadership capacity and I am confident that St Mary’s will continue its usual high standards. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Ogle.

Finally, I’d like to wish all of the pupils and staff at St Mary’s a happy and productive new school year.

Yours faithfully,



Beverley Hall

Executive Head Teacher

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