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Dear Parents/Carers

School Structure from September 2020

I hope you are keeping well in these strange times, and home teaching hasn't been too trying!

Things are changing, and within our Multi Academy Trust too. You could be forgiven for thinking "What does that have to do with me?" I know the Directors of Evolve Church Academy Trust (ECAT) have not been very forthcoming with information or news lately, but I am hopeful that with our new structure that will change.

So, how does it affect you and your children?

From September, Oliver Johnson will be taking up an exciting and important new post – as Executive Headteacher across the four schools in ECAT. Alison Allen, the EHT across Chacombe and St Loys Academies is retiring, and we have taken the opportunity to try a different way of working across the Trust.

Over the past couple of years, Alison and Oliver have taken on an increasing work load, as Accounting Officer (Alison) and Head of Teaching and Learning (Oliver), together with assisting in the strategic role within the Trust, all on top of successfully progressing their two schools. The Directors have recognized this and are now addressing the extra work by making this new appointment.

There will be two Heads of Schools, both reporting to Oliver Johnson – one has been recruited from within ECAT for Chacombe and St Loys; the role for Culworth and Boddington Academies will be a joint one, and also recruited from within the Trust. I am very pleased to tell you that your new Head of Schools will be Mrs. Clare Law and Mrs. Sandra Prewer – Mrs. Law for two days per week and Mrs. Prewer for the other three. For you as Parents/Carers to build a relationship with your "Head of School" Mrs. Law will spend her two days at Boddington and Mrs. Prewer will remain at Culworth, but in all matters their roles are interchangeable.

There will be some other staff changes, as the Head of Schools role is a non-teaching one. We will be welcoming a new, full time, experienced teacher - Mrs. Carla Thom has been a teacher for 16 years and has worked at St Loys in the past, so knows a lot of the staff and the way they work. We are hoping to introduce her to you, in a social distancing way! She will be teaching years 4/5/6 and replacing Mrs. Bootman, who we are happy to report is following her dreams by becoming a full time Special Educational Needs consultant, and Mrs. Stephens who is also moving on – but not far! She will be transferring to Culworth School to teach years 5/6 for her three days a week.

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Luckily for us, Mrs Bootman will be carrying out the SEN role in our schools – so it's not a complete goodbye, but we are really going to miss them both. We want to thank them for their incredibly hard work and the dedication they have shown to Boddington School. Miss Zoe O'Malley is now fully recovered and looking forward to the new year back full time in Early Years, and Mrs Hazel Williams carries on full time teaching years 1/2/3, becoming the Senior Lead Teacher.

At present, the class structures from September are the same as last year and as shown below, but of course that may change in light of future Government guidelines. If you have any questions about these structures, please contact the school in the first instance.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our wonderful staff for their dedication, tenacity and sheer hard work over the last three months, and for the part you have all played in keeping your children happy and engaged. I know it hasn't been easy, but we are a great team!

Meanwhile, I hope you have a restful and contented summer, and that you and your family stay safe and well.

With best wishes

GILL NUNN
ECAT Director & Chair of Governors
Culworth & Boddington CE Primary Academies

Class Structures – September 2020

<i>Pre-School Reception</i>	Miss O'Malley	Mrs Allen		
Year 1/2/3	Mrs Williams	Mrs Hinks		
Year 4/5/6	Mrs Thom	Mrs Pope	Miss Carvosso	