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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you and your child/children have had an enjoyable start to the new academic year.

We are delighted to share with you the news that the Department for Education (DfE) has now approved the transfer of all of the schools and academies within Northern Ambition Academies Trust (NAAT) to Castleford Academy Trust. This decision marks an exciting time for both communities and our commitment to the education of all pupils within those communities.

The DfE approval marks the first step of the formal transfer process. As with all academy transfers, the next stage of the process is the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment), known as TUPE. This is the mechanism by which the workforce of an organisation transfers from one employer to another. In this case, the employees of NAAT to Castleford Academy Trust. This process takes approximately three months to complete.

When this process is complete, this will be the date that the schools and academies within NAAT officially transfer to Castleford Academy Trust. In the meantime, your child's school will continue to be governed by Northern Ambition Academies Trust.

We are thrilled with the DfE decision and look forward to the academies within each Trust working closely together for the benefit of all pupils.

We will continue to keep you up to date with the timelines regarding the transfer process.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Panayiotou', written in a cursive style.

George Panayiotou
CEO Castleford Academy Trust