

# The Compass Partnership of Schools

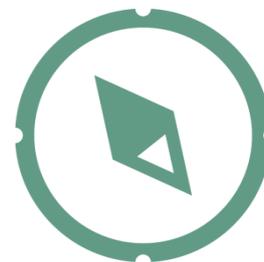
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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to you all to share some news about the future of The Compass Partnership of Schools. This is an exciting piece of news and will possibly involve Compass growing with the addition of four primary schools.

We recently received a request from the Trustees of The CHANGE Partnership of Schools for their schools to join The Compass Partnership. The CHANGE Partnership is a Trust of four primary schools in Essex who have been working closely with Compass for the past six years. Their current CEO is leaving in July and after a thorough and in-depth look at a number of Trusts, their trustees, members, and executive leaders were unanimous in their desire for their Trust to join Compass. They have made a request to our Trustees for the CHANGE Schools Partnership to transfer to Compass as of January 2022. It will be for the Regional Schools Commissioner at the Department for Education to decide whether this is in the best interests of both Trusts, and she will look at all aspects of the request and consider a wide range of evidence from each Trust to reach a decision.

We are excited by the opportunity as it gives us a chance to work closely with schools in another locality and to continue to develop the quality of education with other communities. Compass is well placed to grow in this way as we have built leadership capacity that can adapt to an increased number of schools. Our Greenwich schools are highly successful and transferring the CHANGE schools into our Trust will benefit everyone as we share knowledge and expertise, and will enable us to make the absolute best use of available resources. We know The CHANGE Partnership Schools very well; they share the same values, ethos and principles across their schools and will make excellent partners as we continue to work towards evolving and developing.

You can find out more information about the schools here [www.changesp.org](http://www.changesp.org).

It is important that we seek the views of our school communities and to help us with this we will be leading an online consultation session for parents and carers so that everyone can ask questions and find out about the process. This will be held on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July at 5.30 pm**. To register for the online consultation meeting please email [consultation@compassps.uk](mailto:consultation@compassps.uk) or speak to your headteacher. In the meantime, if you have any thoughts or questions then please email us at: [consultation@compassps.uk](mailto:consultation@compassps.uk).

It is testament to you and everyone in the Compass team that CHANGE has made this request to join Compass.

Thank you.

John Camp

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