



The Collective Community Trust
Collaborative, Innovative, Inclusive

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Dear Families,

I just wanted to write to you before we broke up for the summer holidays to give you a bit of an update. Our Trust has now been in operation for one full term and over the term we have been making sure we are legal and compliant. We have also spent some time looking at the Trust finances and we have had our first successful internal audit visit.

As CEO I have also had wonderful time visiting all of our schools:

Butterstile entertained the residents of Heathland Care Home with an intergeneration event and also had a fantastic Rock Steady concert. Cams Lane also had an intergeneration event with residents from Holy Bank Care Home, afternoon tea was served and Y2 and the choir sang some beautiful songs. Heaton Park had a very busy summer fair, with cakes and tombola prizes galore! Some Heaton Park pupils also featured a number of times on the opening montage before the England game on Sunday evening. It's a very moving piece to watch.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qnUJ6CpM-rU>

I thought I was at the theatre for real when I watched the Oliver Show at Ribble Drive and the KS2 Drama production at Woodbank, again some amazing singing, and Whitefield have been extremely busy, being the first maintained school in Bury to be awarded Gold for Rights Respecting and also getting a prestigious RE award.

Mrs Higson, headteacher at Ribble Drive, brought all the Trust schools together with several other Bury schools for a Beacon Music Festival at Victoria Hall, Bolton. It was simply joyful to watch.

Sadly, we do say goodbye to Mrs Higson, Headteacher, who has worked at Ribble Drive for over 16 years, and been headteacher for 9 years. She is retiring but she will still be heavily involved in all our schools as she is continuing to do our Beacon Music Festival. We wish Mrs Higson all the very best for the future. Mrs Counce, who has been co-head at Ribble Drive, will take up the full-time role from September.

As a Trust we have been working on our Trust Development Plan for 2024-2025 and our focus will be around:

- Ensuring we are financially viable, including our growth plan and ways to generate income across the Trust.
- School improvements and sharing of good practice across our Trust. We will also be having a focus on Early Years and our good level of development outcomes.
- Governance and leadership and making sure we are compliant, legal and we have the correct skill sets within the Trust to support us in becoming a strong Trust.

We have also been setting up our Trust website. It is still work in progress but if you have a few spare minutes then please take a look.

<https://www.thecollectivecommunitytrust.co.uk>

Finally, let me take this opportunity to wish you all very safe, enjoyable summer.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

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