Consultation



The governing bodies of Bromesberrow St Mary's C of E Primary School, Hope Brook C of E Primary School and Tibberton Community School are currently consulting to join the Primary QuEST Trust.

Our Consultation

The consultation is open until Friday 1st March. If you would like to respond to the consultation, ask questions, or find out more about the proposal, please email each school directly (details below) or email <u>enquiries@primaryquest.co.uk</u>. The CEO of Primary QuEST, Stephen Dean, is holding a parent and carer session in each setting.

Primary QuEST

Primary QuEST was formed on the 1st July 2019. The trust is based in Gloucestershire and currently serves school in villages in the north of the county.

- Ann Cam (joined 2023) 119 pupils aged 2-11
- Hartpury (joined 2019) 108 pupils aged 4-11
- Highnam (joined 2019) 214 pupils aged 4-11
- Redmarley (joined 2019) 107 pupils aged 3-11
- Staunton and Corse (joined 2019) 107 pupils aged 4-11 (2-11 1st February 2024)

Staunton and Corse Early Years will be joining Primary QuEST on the 1st February 2024 Oakhill C of E Primary School will also be joining Primary QuEST on the 1st April 2024

Primary QuEST Vision

Primary Quality, Education, Standards and Teaching...

enabling pupils and adults to flourish

within a caring environment.

The primary aim of the trust is to deliver sustainable, outstanding educational learning opportunities for all within the trust. In addition, we use the experience and expertise within Primary Quest to work alongside other schools to support improvement. Primary QuEST is a mixed multi-academy trust and therefore can be home to community, voluntary aided, voluntary controlled and foundation schools.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

How have the governing bodies reached this decision?

The governing bodies at each school have been meeting with Primary QuEST over the past 9-18 months. The due diligence completed so far has shown that there are clear advantages to joining an established, primary-focused local trust. Staff are already collaborating with staff from Primary QuEST and have attended joint professional development days.

What are the benefits for pupils and parents?

All Primary QuEST schools maintain their unique identities and ethos. There are a variety of additional opportunities provided to the Primary QuEST family of schools. Currently pupils are able to use facilities at the various school sites and benefit from joint school trips, residentials, festivals and competitions and working with subject specific specialists.

Being part of the trust enables schools to have greater economies of scale and opportunities for purchasing power. Additional funding is released due to efficiencies and invested in each individual schools staffing structure. Primary QuEST support each school to be community focused.

What are the benefits for staff?

One of the goals of Primary QuEST is to be a local employer of choice. We value the contribution of all staff and ensure they have opportunities to work collaboratively. As a growing trust we will further develop networks that connect colleagues who are working in similar roles, and share expertise between those working in similar contexts. We support staff well-being, which has helped us to recruit and retain our fantastic staff.

Will other schools join Primary QuEST?

Primary QuEST Trustees have developed a well-structured growth strategy, which works in local hubs. We are looking to grow the existing hub in the north-west of the county and develop further hubs across the county. Primary QuEST will strive to be a good home for a growing number of primary schools across Gloucestershire.

What are the next steps?

Each governing body will consider responses to this consultation in March. Following this, we aim to present the schools wishing to join Primary QuEST to the Department for Education in April. Subsequently, we would be able to commence the legal processes needed for the schools to join the trust on the 1st September 2024.

Summary

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admin@st-marys-bromesberrow.gloucs.sch.uk admin@hopebrook.gloucs.sch.uk admin@tibberton.gloucs.sch.uk or email enquiries@primaryquest.co.uk.

Further FAQs are available at: <u>Primary QuEST Multi-Academy Trust - FAQs</u>