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**Celebrating 10 Years of Berlesduna Academy Trust**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Yesterday marked a special milestone for Berlesduna Academy Trust as we celebrate 10 years since the Trust was established on 1 October 2016.

What started with three schools, Merrylands, The Willows and Whitmore, has grown into a thriving family of schools serving more than 3,000 children and young people across our communities.

Over the last decade, we have remained committed to our vision of creating a culture of high aspiration, enjoyment of learning, academic success and lifelong skills for every child, regardless of their background. We are proud of the achievements of our pupils, the success of our schools and the strong partnerships we have built with families and our wider communities.

There is so much to celebrate. From strong educational outcomes and successful inspections to the growth of our nursery provision and our commitment to inclusion, we have always sought to ensure that every child is supported to achieve their very best.

None of this would have been possible without the dedication of our staff, the support of our governors and trustees, and the trust that you, as parents and carers, place in us every day. We are incredibly grateful for the role you play in your child's education and for being part of the Berlesduna family.

As we reflect on the past 10 years, we also look forward with excitement and ambition. Our values of Aspiration, Family and Success continue to guide us, and we remain committed to providing the very best opportunities for the children and young people we serve.

Thank you for your continued support and for being part of our journey.

Best wishes,

**Sean Tobin**  
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