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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you and your families are well and that you are looking forward to the summer holidays.

As you will recall from previous correspondence, Sutton House Academy is due to join a new academy trust, as is the case with all the schools part of Parallel Learning Trust (PLT), which is closing. We are very pleased to write to you today to confirm that Sutton House will join Fortis Trust on 1st September.

Fortis Trust is an excellent specialist education organisation which places children and young people at the heart of all that they do. Fortis works in a collaborative and innovative way, and understands the different contexts that schools work in, so does not adhere to a one-size-fits-all approach. Both of us – and PLT's trustees and the Department for Education – are very confident that the transfer to Fortis will best allow Sutton House Academy to continue to improve and provide an even higher quality of education and care to children and young people.

The decision has been carefully considered and is based above all on what is in the best interests of the pupils, their families and the staff. So, this is a really positive opportunity for Sutton House to go up to the next level as part of a strong new academy trust. We hope you agree.

Over the next few weeks, the final pieces of work will be completed to ensure the transfer goes ahead on 1st September, and you will be updated at that point.

Please of course let us know if you have any questions and thank you for your ongoing support of Sutton House Academy. We wish you and your families a wonderful summer holiday.

Yours faithfully,



Jon Alvis
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