

8<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Following the Department of Education's agreement to the sponsorship of Rye Hills Foundation School by Nunthorpe Multi Academy Trust (NMAT), the subsequent conversion for Rye Hills School to become Rye Hills Academy has now taken place; we officially became an academy on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March.

This sponsorship will ensure that both schools work increasingly closely together as part of the Multi Academy Trust. However, the Nunthorpe Multi Academy Trust Governing Body believes that all academies must maintain elements of their own identity as a one-size model does not fit all, so as we have said throughout the academisation process Rye Hills will maintain elements of its own identity and will remain a school that serves the local community.

There will be no changes of uniform but new Year 7 students starting in July will have the new school logo (at the top of this letter) on their uniforms and PE kit but there is no need for you to buy new uniform unless you need or want to.

Many thanks for your patience while we have been converting to an academy and to those of you who have supported the process.

Yours faithfully,



**Mrs C Waugh**  
**Head of School**