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Dear Parent/ Carer,

We regret to have to inform you that, along with the two other Suffolk schools, we have withdrawn from the proposed Cooperative Education East Multi-Academy Trust.

The 2017/18 audited accounts for the MAT were lodged at Companies House a few weeks ago and, in the report, the auditors stated that the accounts 'indicate a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Academy Trust's ability to continue as a going concern'.

Although the Trustees have offered reassurances as to the steps they are taking to improve the situation, the Governors and Head Teachers of the Suffolk schools felt that there was too much uncertainty around the situation currently. In addition, as the DfE would expect us to sign the Funding Agreement on the 1st March, there was insufficient time for the Trust to address our concerns.

We are extremely disappointed to have to make the decision at this late stage, particularly as we have invested a significant amount of time in getting to this stage, but we have to be completely certain it would be the right decision for the school/s.

A benefit of the process has been the closer links we have developed with Grundisburgh and Hollesley Primary Schools. Each school would like to see how we are able to build upon those links in the near future, and are planning to meet in the summer term to explore how that might happen. We will also remain in touch with the CEE to see how they are getting on with addressing the issues they have faced.

Thank you as always for your support.

With best wishes,

Tim Cornford (Chair of Governors)

Mark Krisson (Headteacher)

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