

London Borough of Bromley

PART 1 - PUBLIC

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BROMLEY ACADEMY PROGRAMME UPDATE

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1. Summary

- 1.1 This is the updated information for Members on the academy conversion programme as at 16th October 2014. There are now fifty two (52) academies within Bromley, an increase of two since the last report was presented. The new academies are St Philomena's RC Primary School and St Vincents RC Primary School (part of an umbrella trust with the other catholic schools). Nineteen more schools are in the process of converting and a further twenty are in the initial stages of exploring conversion. Thirteen schools converted in 2013/14 and eight have converted in 2014/15 to date.
- 1.2 Of the 20 Primary schools who at present do not have finalised plans for conversion, all but 5 are actively considering their options according to current knowledge. Officers will make contact again with the remaining schools to determine their position and provide any support required. Other schools may be delaying developing plans for conversion due to prioritising school improvement plans, for example in response to OfSTED inspections or to obtain 'Good' inspection ratings which in turn broadens their options for conversion.
- 1.3 The information in the tables below indicate formal partnership or sponsorship arrangements relevant to Bromley schools where these are known.

2. **THE BRIEFING**

- 2.1 Overall Summary of the Academy Programme as at 16th October 2014.

Type	Converted		Maintained - Conversion in Progress		Maintained - Exploring Conversion		Maintained – Not Actively Exploring Conversion		Total	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
Secondary	16	94%	0	0%	1	6%	0	0%	17	100%
Primary	35	47%	19	26%	15	20%	5	7%	74	100%
Special	0	0%	0	0%	4	100%	0	0%	4	100%
PRU	1	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	1	100%
Total	52	54%	19	20%	20	21%	5	5%	96	100%

2.2 Schools which have converted to Academy Status

A	PRIMARY SCHOOLS	POSITION	TIMESCALE
1	<p>Hayes Primary School</p> <p>Actively exploring sponsorship of other schools – application for sponsored conversion of St Mary Cray approved and sponsor status granted.</p> <p>Linked to the Realise Academy Partnership Trust – a schools partnership arrangement in the borough</p>	Conversion	1 July 2011
2	Warren Road Primary School	Conversion	1 July 2011
3	Balgowan Primary School	Conversion	1 August 2011
4	Biggin Hill Primary School	Conversion	1 August 2011
5	Darrick Wood Infant School and Nursery	Conversion	1 August 2011
6	Green Street Green Primary School	Conversion	1 August 2011
7	<p>Pickhurst Infant School</p> <p>Linked to the Realise Academy Partnership Trust – a schools partnership arrangement in the borough</p>	Conversion	1 August 2011
8	<p>Pickhurst Junior School</p> <p>Exploring potential MAT or Umbrella Trust arrangements (Endeavour).</p>	Conversion	1 August 2011
9	<p>The Pioneer Academy (formerly Stewart Fleming Primary School)</p> <p>Part of the The Pioneer Academy Trust and exploring potential MAT arrangements in the borough. The Pioneer Trust sponsors a school in Bexley.</p>	Conversion	1 August 2011
10	Valley Primary School	Conversion	1 August 2011
11	Crofton Junior School	Conversion	1 December 2011

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12	Tubbenden Primary School	Conversion	1 March 2012
13	St James' RC Primary School	Conversion	1 April 2012
14	Crofton Infant School	Conversion	1 September 2012
15	Hillside Primary School Hillside is sponsored by The Priory as part of a MAT.	Sponsored Conversion	1 September 2012
16	Parish Primary School Parish is part of the Aquinas Trust with Bishop Justus.	Conversion	1 August 2013
17	Alexandra Juniors	Conversion	1 September 2013
18	Highfield Infants' School Joint Head Teacher with Highfield Junior	Conversion	1 September 2013
19	Raglan Primary School	Conversion	1 September 2013
20	Harris Academy Kent House (formerly Royston Primary) Part of the Harris Federation, which in Bromley includes Harris Kent House, Harris Crystal Palace, Harris Bromley and Harris Beckenham.	Sponsored Conversion	1 September 2013
21	Harris Academy Crystal Palace (formerly Malcolm Primary School) Part of the Harris Federation, which in Bromley includes Harris Kent House, Harris Crystal Palace, Harris Bromley and Harris Beckenham.	Sponsored Conversion	1 September 2013
22	Grays Farm Primary School Part of The Kemnal Academies Trust	Sponsored Conversion	1 September 2013
23	Highfield Junior Joint Head Teacher with Highfield Infants	Conversion	1 October 2013
24	Alexandra Infants	Conversion	1 December 2013
25	Farnborough Primary	Conversion	1 December 2013
26	Manor Oak	Conversion	1 December 2013
27	Perry Hall Primary	Conversion	1 December 2013
28	Castlecombe Linked to the Realise Academy Partnership Trust – a schools partnership arrangement in the borough	Conversion	1 January 2014

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29	Keston MAT with Aquinas Trust	Conversion	1 April 2014
30	Scotts Park MAT with The Ravensbourne School	Conversion	1 April 2014
31	St Johns Sponsored academy with the Diocese of Rochester	Sponsored Conversion	1 April 2014
32	St Peter and St Pauls Part of the catholic school umbrella trust	Conversion	1 August 2014
33	Leesons Primary Conversion as part of a MAT with Coopers	Conversion	1 September 2014
34	St Philomena's RC Primary School Part of the catholic school umbrella trust	Conversion	1 October 2014
35	St Vincents RC Primary School Part of the catholic school umbrella trust	Conversion	1 October 2014

B SECONDARY SCHOOLS		POSITION	TIMESCALE
1	Kemnal Technology College Part of the The Kemnal Academies Trust. This includes Gray's Farm Primary.	Conversion	1 September 2010
2	Darrick Wood Secondary School Linked to the Realise Academy Partnership Trust – a schools partnership arrangement in the borough	Conversion	1 December 2010
3	Beaverwood School for Girls Linked to the Realise Academy Partnership Trust – a schools partnership arrangement in the borough	Conversion	1 March 2011
4	Bishop Justus CE Secondary School Bishop Justus has set up the Aquinas Trust and is exploring MAT arrangements in the borough. Parish and Keston are part of the Trust. Chislehurst (St Nicholas), Cudham , Princes Plain and St Marks are all in the process of converting as part of the Aquinas Trust. Bishop Justus has been approved as a sponsor and is considering sponsorship arrangements.	Conversion	1 March 2011

B	SECONDARY SCHOOLS	POSITION	TIMESCALE
5	<p>Coopers Technology College</p> <p>Coopers applying to DfE to become a sponsor</p> <p>In MAT with Leasons Primary</p>	Conversion	1 March 2011
6	<p>Charles Darwin School</p>	Conversion	1 April 2011
7	<p>Hayes School (Bromley) (formerly Hayes School)</p> <p>Linked to the Realise Academy Partnership Trust – a schools partnership arrangement in the borough</p>	Conversion	1 April 2011
8	<p>Langley Park School for Boys</p>	Conversion	1 April 2011
9	<p>Newstead Wood School (formerly Newstead Wood School for Girls)</p>	Conversion	1 April 2011
10	<p>Ravens Wood School</p> <p>Ravens Wood sponsors a school outside the borough.</p>	Conversion	1 April 2011
11	<p>The Ravensbourne School</p> <p>The Ravensbourne School has set up the Education for the 21st Century Trust and is exploring MAT arrangements in the borough.</p> <p>Scotts Park is part of the Trust.</p>	Conversion	1 April 2011
12	<p>Bullers Wood School</p>	Conversion	1 May 2011
13	<p>Langley Park School for Girls</p> <p>Linked to the Realise Academy Partnership Trust – a schools partnership arrangement in the borough</p> <p>Academy order received for a multi-academy trust with Hawes Down Infants and Hawes Down Junior</p>	Conversion	1 August 2011
14	<p>Harris Academy Beckenham (formerly Kelsey Park Sports College)</p> <p>Part of the Harris Federation, which in Bromley includes Harris Kent House, Harris Crystal Palace, Harris Bromley and Harris Beckenham.</p>	Sponsored Conversion	1 September 2011
15	<p>Harris Academy Bromley (formerly Cator Park School)</p> <p>Part of the Harris Federation, which in Bromley includes Harris Kent House, Harris Crystal Palace, Harris Bromley and Harris Beckenham.</p>	Conversion	1 September 2011
16	<p>The Priory School</p> <p>The Priory School sponsors Hillside Primary as part of a MAT.</p>	Conversion	1 May 2012

C OTHER SCHOOLS		POSITION	TIMESCALE
1	Pupil Referral Unit (Bromley Education Trust) Sponsored conversion with Bromley College of Further & Higher Education	Sponsored Conversion	1 September 2014

2.3 Schools In The Process of Conversion to Academy Status

A	PRIMARY SCHOOLS	POSITION	TIMESCALE
1	Holy Innocents Catholic Primary School Part of the catholic school umbrella trust	Conversion as part of an umbrella trust with local catholic schools. Academy Order received 23 October 2013	December 2014 (indicative only)
2	St Josephs Part of the catholic school umbrella trust	Conversion as part of an umbrella trust with local catholic schools. Academy Order received 23 October 2013	October 2014 (indicative only)
3	St. Marys RC Primary School Part of the catholic school umbrella trust	Conversion as part of an umbrella trust with local catholic schools. Academy Order received 23 October 2013	December 2014
4	Dorset Road Infants	Conversion as part of a MAT with Mead Road and Pratts Bottom. Academy Order received (March 2014)	TBC
5	Mead Road Infants	Conversion as part of a MAT with Dorset Road and Pratts Bottom. Academy Order received (March 2014)	TBC
6	Pratts Bottom	Conversion as part of a MAT with Mead Road and Dorset Road. Academy Order received (March 2014)	TBC
7	Princes Plain Primary	Academy Order received (June 2014) The governing body has resolved to convert as a sponsored academy with the Aquinas Trust	1 December 2014
8	St Mary Cray Primary	Application (April 2014) to DfE for conversion as a sponsored academy, sponsored by Hayes Primary. Application approved May 2014.	1 November 2014

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9	Burnt Ash Primary	Burnt Ash consulted with parents on the question of conversion to academy status in March 2013 DfE expecting application, possibly as part of the Pickhurst Junior Endeavour Umbrella Trust No application showing on DfE website as at August 2014.	TBC
10	Hawes Down Infants	Academy Order (June 2014) for conversion as part of a multi-academy trust with Hawes Down Junior, Langley Park School for Girls and Langley Park School for Boys.	April 2015
11	Hawes Down Junior	Academy Order (June 2014) for conversion as part of a multi-academy trust with Hawes Down Infants, Langley Park School for Girls and Langley Park School for Boys.	April 2015
12	Chislehurst (St Nicholas)	Confirmation from Aquinas Trust (June 2014) that Chislehurst governing body has resolved to apply for conversion as part of the Aquinas Trust (subject to academy order) Academy Order received (July 2014)	1 November 2014 (estimated)
13	St Marks	Confirmation from Aquinas Trust (June 2014) that St Marks governing body has resolved to apply for conversion as part of the Aquinas Trust (subject to academy order) Academy Order received (June 2014)	1 December 2014 (estimated)
14	Cudham CE Primary	Confirmation from Aquinas Trust (June 2014) that Cudham governing body has resolved to apply for conversion as part of the Aquinas Trust (subject to academy order) Academy Order received July 2014	1 December 2014 (estimated)
15	Wickham Common Primary	Governing body resolution to convert to academy status as part of a MAT with Marian Vian, Oak Lodge and Unicorn.	April 2015
16	Marian Vian Primary	Governing body resolution to convert to academy status as part of a MAT with Wickham Common, Oak Lodge and Unicorn.	April 2015
17	Oak Lodge Primary	Governing body resolution to convert to academy status as part of a MAT with Marian Vian, Wickham Common and Unicorn.	April 2015
18	Unicorn Primary	Governing body resolution to convert to academy status as part of a MAT with Marian Vian, Oak Lodge and Wickham Common.	April 2015

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19	Midfield Primary	Academy Order received July 2014	January 2015

2.4 Schools Actively Exploring Conversion to Academy Status

A	PRIMARY & SPECIAL SCHOOLS	POSITION	TIMESCALE
1-13	Thirteen Primary Schools	Exploration of potential partnerships and early stages of MAT discussions.	N/A
14	James Dixon Primary	Notification to LA in February 2013 of Governor decision to apply for academy conversion. No formal application logged by DfE. Confirmation to LA in September 2013 of intent to change status from community to foundation school as of December 2013.	N/A
15	Southborough Primary	Southborough consulted with parents on the question of conversion to academy status in March 2013. Exploration of potential partnerships but no firm plans.	N/A
16	St Anthony's RC Primary	Notification that conversion as part of an umbrella trust with local catholic schools is being explored by the Archdiocese. No formal application logged by DfE as yet.	TBC
17-20	Four Special Schools	Exploration of potential partnerships but no firm plans.	N/A

B	SECONDARY SCHOOLS	POSITION	TIMESCALE
1	St Olave's Grammar School	Notification to Local Authority (October 2010). Conversion approval 'on hold' pending resolution of governance composition between the Diocese of Rochester, the School and the Department for Education.	TBC

2.5 Status of Other Schools

A	PRIMARY SCHOOLS	POSITION	TIMESCALE
1 - 5	Five Primary Schools	Either the position is to be confirmed or they are not considering conversion at this time.	N/A