

# Academy

## **Proud to be part of the University of Chichester Academy Trust (CAT)**

Langstone Infant School converted to academy status to become Langstone Infant Academy on 1st October 2017 as a proud member of the University of Chichester Academy Trust. This decision was made by the board of governors after careful consideration and with a focus on providing the best possible future education for the pupils.

## **What is an Academy?**

As an academy, Langstone Infant Academy is a state-funded school with a degree of independence from local authority control. We remain guided by the national education framework but have greater freedom to make choices, for example, on setting our own budget priorities and a curriculum that meets local needs.

## **Our links to the University of Chichester**

The University of Chichester Academy Trust is a Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) and aims to develop a family of 30-40 academies based on hubs in the region. Joining a MAT provides Langstone Infant Academy with exciting opportunities to share expertise and resources with other academies as well as to access support from central Trust professional services staff.

Langstone Infant Academy also benefits greatly from a continuing programme of school improvement supported by the Trust and expert colleagues at the University of Chichester. The University's Institute of Education has a distinguished history of teacher training that goes back over 150 years and is noted for its professional learning programmes for teachers and high quality education research.

## **Academy Governance**

The University of Chichester Academy Trust is a single organisation with a Board of Directors: its members are company directors and charity trustees and the Trust makes no profit.

The Board delegates day-to-day running of each academy to the Local Governing Body (LGB) or Interim Local Governing Body (ILGB) which then reports regularly back to the Board. The level of delegation may be different for each academy. Enquiries about Langstone Infant Academy governance should be made in the first instance to the Chair of the LGB, Daniel Brentnall.

## **Contact the Academy Trust**

The University of Chichester Academy Trust welcomes your enquiries and comments.

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