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Dear Parent/Carer

### **Update on the Academy conversion process.**

Further to my letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> July 2019 I am writing to update you on progress with the conversion of Peacehaven Community School to becoming an Academy with Swale Academies Trust (SAT).

Some of you may be aware that there was a very recent legal challenge against the Interim Executive Board (IEB) and East Sussex County Council (ESCC) which sought to bring a temporary halt to the conversion process. The hearing was held yesterday at the Royal Courts of Justice in London and I am pleased to report that the judge ruled in favour of the IEB and ESCC.

This means that we are now in a position to sign all the relevant documentation and expect the school to convert to become an Academy with SAT on the 1st September 2019. It has been a long and complicated journey to get to this stage but the IEB are confident that the school will now accelerate on its journey to ensuring the highest quality provision for all students.

I hope you have all had a good summer and wish you and your children a successful and enjoyable academic year.

Yours sincerely

Penny Gaunt  
Chair of the IEB