



Looe Community School

*A Specialist College for the Performing Arts,
Maths and Computing*

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Dear Parent/Carer

The Governors voted at the Full Governing Body meeting last week to go ahead with conversion to Academy status following the completion of the consultation process. This is subject to:

Obtaining an Academy order from the DfE
An acceptable Funding Agreement

The Governors wish to thank parents, staff and wider community for their contributions to the consultation process and recognise that many of the staff concerns have also been shared by the Governors.

However, after examining all the documents including budget projections for either Local Authority maintained or Academy status, Governors have decided that this in the best interests, for the strategic direction of the school and thus the education of the students.

Due consideration was given to:

Maintaining educational standards

This was Governors' primary concern.

Teacher redundancies

Governors were faced with the prospect of inevitable teacher redundancies over the coming 3 years. This would have affected educational standards.

Changes to Pay and Conditions

The Governors are mindful of staff concern over pay and conditions.

This decision should allow us to continue to offer the broad and balanced curriculum we are determined to maintain.

Yours faithfully

*Dr Moyra Evans
Chair of Governors*

*Miss Heather Jenkins
Headteacher*

