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Dear Parents

Re : Academy Status

The Department for Education has approved the School's conversion to Academy Status with effect from 1 March 2012. My previous letters and newsletters have made parents aware of the reasons that have driven this change. Academy status will provide us with greater freedoms over how we spend a proportion of our funding.

At the same time, it is worth point out that becoming an Academy will not mean numerous changes to the way we operate. Parents will notice little difference. One area that will change is that cheques from today's date need to be made payable to **Chipping Norton School** rather than to Oxfordshire County Council.

Yours sincerely

Simon Duffy
Headteacher

