



Aequalis  
Education Trust  
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## Stoke Prior First School – Proud to be part of Aequalis Education Trust!

### Benefits for the Children

As a group of Headteachers who are committed and passionate about education, the benefits for the children were always at the heart of our discussions when deciding on whether to form a Trust together. Now that we are established as Aequalis, our core purpose is to further enhance what we offer to each and every child in our schools.

Aequalis Education Trust is driven by a vision to create an ethical, inclusive, and ambitious family of schools that work collaboratively to enhance educational outcomes and opportunities for all. Our core focus is to continue to build on the fantastic quality of education and all-round experience your child receives in our schools.



#### Educational Benefits

- **Curriculum Improvements:** Academies have the freedom to innovate beyond the National Curriculum, allowing them to adapt teaching methods and content based on what works best. This can result in a more ambitious and coherent curriculum across all schools in the Trust.
- **Consistent High Standards:** Ensuring a consistent, high-quality education for all pupils, regardless of which school they attend.
- **Specialist Support:** Trusts can invest savings from economies of scale into specialised staff and resources to support pupils. This is particularly beneficial for pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), who can gain access to shared expertise and more comprehensive support services.
- **Enhanced Learning Resources:** By procuring goods and services in bulk, Trusts can free up budget to invest more directly into educational resources, technology, and equipment for pupils. Resources can also be shared across schools.



## Pupil Welfare and Development

- **Effective pastoral care:** Working together to help all schools enhance pupil support services like pastoral care, family support and educational psychology by sharing expertise across the Trust.
- **Pupil voice:** Ensuring as a Trust we create safe spaces for pupils to raise concerns, and provide appropriate interventions from fully trained and experienced staff whilst using effective tools to track how interventions are impacting.
- **Relationships:** Fostering and extending friendships and opportunities across all schools with a wide range of ages and needs.
- **Links with other schools** for events and activities leading to a greater sense of belonging and social responsibility fostering improved attendance and positive behaviour.



## Quality and School Stability

- **High quality teaching:** Schools within a Trust can collaborate to share best teaching practices, curriculum expertise, and resources. This means pupils benefit from a stronger, more effective teaching staff.
- **Attracting talent:** The professional development and career opportunities offered by a Trust can help schools attract and retain excellent teachers and leaders.
- **Focus on teaching:** By centralising administrative, financial, and HR support, a Trust frees up school leaders to focus on teaching and learning. This allows staff to concentrate on pupils and what happens in the classroom.
- **Greater stability:** The combined resources and support of a Trust provides greater stability for schools, helping them respond to challenges and maintain high standards.