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Dear Family of schools,

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I trust that you return refreshed for a new academic year and are prepared for the opportunities and challenges it will bring.

This is an exciting time in the development of this Catholic Academy Trust, as it is set to expand within Diocese of Salford schools across the Local Authorities of Bolton, Bury, Rochdale, Salford & Wigan.

I join as interim Catholic Senior Executive Leader (CSEL) with a focus on schools being their best version, in order to meet the bespoke needs of their local communities. To do this we must focus on the specific gifts within our teams, provide & empower strong and focused leadership and the development of challenging and aspirational curricula in order to best prepare our students for life in a rapidly changing context.

Our focus on human flourishing, with students being a force to transform society, rooted in their faith beliefs, builds upon the words of Saint Teresa of Calcutta:

"I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples..."

As this CMAT prepares for the challenges ahead, and begins to plan a way forward, developing its unique offer in a changing context, it must do so with mission integrity and transparency, which includes reference to the leaders of schools who are already in the Academy, those who are preparing to join and those who are interested in becoming part of this CMAT in the future. I welcome your observations and thoughts as we build a learning community rooted in the Church's mission for the Common Good, curriculum offers which refer us back to the transformative power of Catholic Social Teaching and teams focused on our authentic mission.

We will be working alongside the other developing CATs - Romero & Emmaus - ensuring that the Diocese of Salford vision is a shared one, with economies of scale developed for the benefit of all schools within the Academies. As this makes progress, we will keep you informed via our online presence and face to face communication.

If you would like me to visit your schools and governors, to explore the opportunities that being part of our journey offers, please do get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

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