# PACE ACADEMY TRUST





#### **ABOUT PACE ACADEMY TRUST**

We are a partnership of 5 primary schools, each unique in identity, working collaboratively to provide education and care to our children in happy, inclusive and inspiring environments. We currently have two schools in Mitcham (Merton) and three schools in the south of the borough of Croydon.

In PACE Academy Trust we enjoy and celebrate the differences between each of our primary schools, recognising that they each have wonderful strengths to share and good practice to learn from. We value the diversity that our schools bring to the trust - from their different sizes to their varied locations and contexts. Our school communities are all different from one another.

We have first-hand experience of the dilemmas faced when deciding whether to join a MAT. We would work in partnership with you through this time while you consider what is right for your school and your community.

"Children here feel safe, happy and excited about their learning!"

'As a PACE school, we benefit from sharing good practice with each other, opportunities for professional development and trust-wide projects.'

### **OUR VISION – WHERE WILL WE BE BY 2025?**

- We will be thriving as a trust, having grown carefully to a size that supports strong infrastructure which enables excellent educational opportunities for all children.
- There will be many examples of curriculum innovation resulting in excellent achievement for all groups of learners.
- We will be exemplary in our practice around equality, diversity and inclusion.
- Our staff and children will be knowledgeable about, and committed to, environmental sustainability.
- We will have a high-quality professional development offer in place for all our staff, directors and governors.

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### PARTNERSHIP, ACHIEVEMENT, COMMUNITY, EXCELLENCE











### WHY OUR STAFF SAY WE STAND OUT:

'PACE is a welcoming, friendly community, where individual schools retain their identity while working in partnership with other Trust schools to share expertise and knowledge. The school communities are different and they can help each other embrace diverse cultural identities.

'We are genuinely committed to ensuring all staff have access to a high-quality programme of professional development. There is strong communication between the schools enhancing and enriching opportunities for personal and professional growth'

"We are committed to inclusion and are proud to have two specialist provisions within our trust"

'We are small in size and children are at the heart of our principles and values'

'Teaching and learning support across the trust is attractive, enabling staff to grow in confidence more quickly'.

'We empower schools to define their own journey of improvement whilst providing guidance and support through a collaborative approach'

### **BECOMING A PACE SCHOOL**

- Are you looking to share your expertise as well as learn from others?
- Are you searching for deeper and more powerful collaboration and professional development opportunities for all of your staff?
- Would you like to retain your school identify and a high degree of autonomy?
- Are you keen to explore how the pressures of financial, HR and operational management can be supported through being part of a stronger organisation?
- Are you determined to keep the focus on being the best for the children and community you serve?

Please take a look at our website, twitter and our video to find out more about our values and ethos. We'd welcome an opportunity to discuss our approach with you if you consider that our values and vision align to those of your school.

Please contact our CEO, Zoe Harris, for an informal discussion

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