

24 January 2012

Dear Partners

### **Academy Conversion Consultation**

Many of you will be aware that good and outstanding schools can convert to Academy status. At our full Governing Body meeting on January 19<sup>th</sup> 2012, Governors of Rye College took the decision to start consulting on whether Rye College should convert to an Academy. This consultation process will start on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2012.

We wish to seek the views of all our community to inform our final decision. To support all partners in developing their knowledge and understanding of what is involved in becoming an Academy, we have prepared an information document which is available following the Academy link on the school website at [www.ryecollege.co.uk](http://www.ryecollege.co.uk)

We have already begun to discuss Academy status with parents and staff in school, and will also include students in the consultation process.

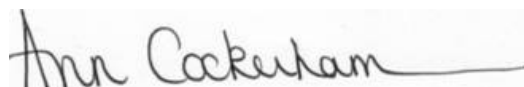
You can email us with questions and views at [academyconsultation@ryecollege.e-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:academyconsultation@ryecollege.e-sussex.sch.uk) or write to us at the school. Letters should be marked 'Private and Confidential Academy Conversion'. Please return any comments to us by the end of the consultation period in order that your opinions are considered in the consultation process. Please note that the consultation ends at **12 noon on February 28<sup>th</sup> 2012.**

We look forward to your feedback.

Yours sincerely

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Ian Ross  
Chair of Governors

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Ann Cockerham  
Principal