



Two Village C of E Primary School

CONSULTATION ON CHANGING THE NAME OF TWO VILLAGE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Background

Two Village C of E Primary School was formed in 2000 when Ramsey County Primary School and Little Oakley C of E Infant School amalgamated. Initially, the new school ran from both sites, until the new building was opened in 2005. The name Two Village was decided upon through consultation with parents/carers, children and staff. Although Ramsey Primary School was a community school, as Little Oakley was a Church of England School, it was decided that Two Village would become a Voluntary Controlled Church of England Primary School. In September 2020, Two Village converted to an academy and joined the Vine Schools Multi Academy Trust.

Rationale for a Change of Name

Joining the Vine Schools Trust in September 2020, has signalled another change in Two Village's history and is the start of a new journey for our school. As a Church of England School which is now part of a Multi Academy Trust, created by the Diocese of Chelmsford, we feel that the name Two Village does not truly reflect our Christian character. We feel that now is the right time to change the name of the school, to mark the beginning of a new and exciting period on our journey to excellence. We believe that the name *St. Michael's* would reflect our Christian character and reinforce the close link that we have with our local church.

Impact on School Uniform and Logo

We do not intend on changing the colour of our school uniform and do not have any plans at present to change the school's logo, as this was originally produced to represent the two individual schools prior to the amalgamation. We appreciate that some school jumpers that have the school logo on them also include the school name and although this will be changed on all new uniform, there would be no need for children to purchase new items of uniform immediately following a change of name. A transition period would be in place for old uniform to be phased out.

Consultation Process

We will now begin a consultation process with children, parents/carers, staff, the church and the wider community to seek everyone's views on changing the name of Two Village. The consultation period will begin on Monday 25th April and will last for 11 weeks, ending on Friday 8th July.



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Whilst we are inviting views from members of the public via an online questionnaire, the final decision on whether to change the name of our school will rest with the Trust board, guided by the result of a vote by the school's families, pupils, governors and staff.

Timeline for Consultation Period

Dates	
WC 25 th April 2022	Stimulate thought and discussion through in-school assembly and information published on the website.
Friday 29 th April 2022	Open questionnaire launched on school website, inviting views from the local community and wider public via Microsoft Forms. This will close on 20th May at midday.
Monday 2 nd May – Friday 6 th May 2022	'What's in a name?' lessons launched in classrooms.
WC 2 nd May 2022	'What's in a name?' online sessions for parents to explore and discuss background information and to allow families to voice their views and discuss with others.
Friday 20 th May 2022	Open questionnaire closes at midday.
WC 23 rd May 2022	Working party to collate responses from the open questionnaire and use to inform next steps.
WC 23 rd May 2022	Pupils, families staff, Community Board and Local Schools Board will vote on whether the name should be changed. Pupil vote will take place in school, in classes. Families and staff will vote via a Microsoft Forms survey link.
Friday 24 th June 2022	Vote closes at midday
WC 4 th July 2022	Trust Board will consider the vote and make a decision on whether to keep or change the name of the school.
Friday 8 th July 2022	Decision announced