

28th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we move towards the final month of the of the calendar year, it's hard to believe how quickly the weeks have flown by. Schools are always busy, joyful places, and this term has been no exception.

I am writing to give you an update on the process of securing a new trust home for Hawthorn Community Primary School . As you know, Pathfinder Schools is in the process of being closed down, and our priority throughout has been to ensure stability and the very best future for our school community.

The Department for Education has now confirmed that the recommendation going forward is for the school to transfer to the Symphony Learning Trust (SLT). Symphony have made a clear commitment to welcoming our school into their family of schools and to helping the school continue to flourish with our strong values and ethos.

We are now working closely with Symphony to complete the necessary processes of due diligence and preparation for transfer, - we currently anticipate that the schools will formally transfer on 1 March 2026.

I want to reassure you that the heart of our school – our caring ethos, and commitment to every child – will remain constant throughout this process. We will keep you updated as the next steps unfold and will ensure there are opportunities for you to ask questions and hear more from Symphony in the coming weeks.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of our wonderful school.

With warm regards,



Stephen Mitchell
CEO, Pathfinder Schools