



ST. PETER'S C.E. (CONTROLLED) PRIMARY SCHOOL – BRATTON

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Frequently Asked Questions

1. Will the school holidays change or will they still be in line with Telford and Wrekin?
The school holidays will remain in line with Telford & Wrekin. We will continue to have control over our PD days.
2. What will happen to the school name?
From conversion we will be known as St Peter's Bratton Church of England Academy.
3. Will the school uniform change?
The school uniform will not change. The logo will have the name changed on it. However, no new uniform will need to be bought. As uniform is gradually replaced, the new name will be used.
4. Will school meals still be provided by Telford and Wrekin council? How will school meals be paid for? Will they go up in price?
Our Let's Dine team, provided by Telford and Wrekin will remain in place. Payments for meals will continue to be processed through the online portal. Any price increases will be in line with the catering provision through Telford and Wrekin and will come directly through the catering service.
5. Will breakfast club and wraparound still be available and will they still accept childcare vouchers for payment?
Breakfast club and wraparound will still be available to our parents/carers and we will continue to accept childcare vouchers as a payment method.
6. What will happen to local links and partnerships that our school already has?
The local links and partnerships we have will remain, but being part of a MAT we will develop further, strong links with other schools as well.
7. Will the school be able to set its own curriculum?

The school will control its curriculum, not the academy trust. We are currently making changes to the curriculum ready for September, but these are not as a result of becoming an academy. We are always looking at how we can improve our school and this includes the curriculum we offer. Officially academies do not have to follow the national curriculum, but in practice we will still use this as the basis for our curriculum.

8. What would happen to SEN provision?
We would continue to provide the same support for pupils with special educational needs in the same way as we currently do. The funding of Educational Health Care Plans over 15 hours continues to be funded by the Local Authority. The Local Authority retains its responsibility for statutory duties, obligations and procedures remain in place when a school converts to academy status.
9. How will union membership (NUT, NASUWT, Unison, etc) work?
Union recognition would remain as it currently stands; all employees are entitled to be part of a union.
10. Will academies be free from Ofsted inspections?
No, academies remain fully under Ofsted's inspection arrangements.
11. Will you still be entitled to free school meals and Pupil Premium?
The entitlement to free school meals and Pupil Premium will not change.
12. Will your management team stay in place or will you pull staffing from other schools?
The current management team and governing body will remain in place at school. The governing body will be known as the Local Academy Committee and will include the current governors.
13. Will teachers move across to partnering schools or stay where they are?
All staff will remain in their role at St Peter's. Staff will work with teachers in other schools as part of all learning from each other. This will allow our staff to share their practice with those in other schools and to learn from those in other schools as well. This collaboration will support the continuing professional development of teachers and support staff in our and other schools.