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Multi Academy Trust



2019-20 Annual Report Easy Read Version

Child-Centred **Family-Focused**
Empowering **Passionate**
Inclusive
Caring
Nurturing
Encouraging **Enriching**

What is the purpose of this report?

Every Multi Academy Trust must publish information every year on its finances, in something called our annual accounts. This is a long document filled with lots of technical information about the Trust's finances. To ensure that we have a simpler means of sharing our successes, we have published an annual report to be read alongside our accounts.

This is the easy read version of our annual report.

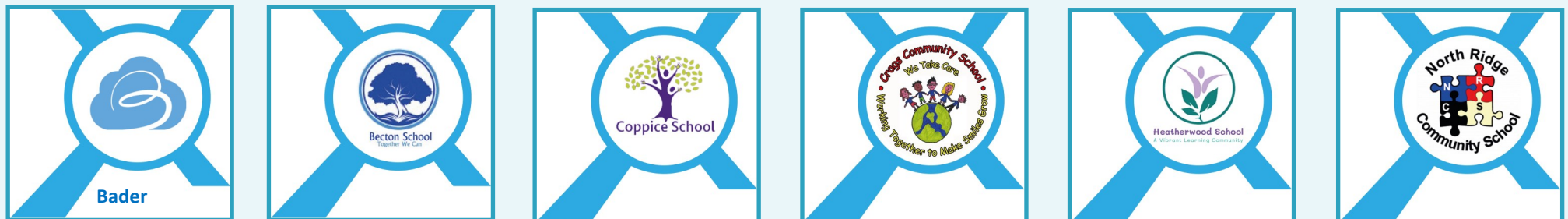
The full document can be read [here](#).

Our Multi Academy Trust

In September 2019, our Multi Academy Trust had 4 schools:



By the end of the 2019/20 school year, five schools had converted to join the Trust and a new school was in the process of opening. These schools are:



Our key achievements in 2019/20

All of our successes in 2019/20 were because of the hard work of all of our schools.

We have created a lot of new ways for **increasing the quality of provision** in our schools, with Headteachers working together to support one another and share best practice.

We have created new groups for bringing together and supporting our newly and recently qualified teachers. We have also started to look at joint working in all our schools as part of the Arts Mark award.

We have managed to get **grant funding** from the Government to **improve our school buildings**, with nearly half a million pounds for a new roof and fire system at Coppice School.

We have continued to work closely with Councils to help create more school places where we can, as many of our special schools are full. We have also worked with other schools in the local area to **develop new partnerships** outside of our Multi Academy Trust.



We have worked hard to get our new school, Bader Academy in Doncaster, ready to open for September 2020. We are also working hard on our other new school, Discovery Academy, which is due to open in September 2022 in Sheffield. **Creating this new provision** will make a really positive difference for families locally.

We have worked with a local Specialist College, Landmarks, to improve the choices for our young people when they leave our schools at 19 years of age.

As our Multi Academy Trust has grown, **our funding from the Government has increased**. We have continued to work hard to make sure that we are responsible with how we spend money. In 2019/20, our total income was £21,029,873.

Our key challenges in 2019/20

Our biggest challenge in 2019/20, like everyone else, was dealing with Coronavirus.

Children were not expected to attend school from late March 2020, though all of our schools continued to support families and a number of pupils continued to attend school throughout the first national lockdown.

By working together, our schools came through the spring and summer terms and supported all families that needed help. Our cleaners, cooks, caretakers, teaching assistants, office staff, teachers, leaders and governors all pulled together and we couldn't be prouder of their hard work in such a difficult time.



Looking to the next school year...



We know that Coronavirus will be with us for many months more and this will be continue to be one of our biggest challenges in the next school year, as it will be for everyone else.

With a new school opening, 2020-2021 will be a busy and exciting year for our Trust. We now have 10 schools in our Multi Academy Trust which will mean we can learn more from each other and create new opportunities for our staff and our pupils.

We are very proud of what we have done in 2019/20 and are looking forward to the next school year.



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