"Achievement by faith and work"

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## Re: Academy Status

I am delighted to be able to inform you that the Secretary of State for Education, Michael Gove, has written to the school to inform us that he has agreed to enter into a Funding Agreement with us to allow St Margaret's Church of England School to convert into an Academy. The school opened as an Academy on 1 October 2012. The school will be known as 'St Margaret's Church of England Academy'. Those of us who have become fond of the abbreviation 'SMA' can of course continue to use it.

As indicated in previous correspondence there will be no change to the school uniform or badge. The character of the school and the admission procedure will remain unaltered.

On behalf of the Governing body I am confident that this change to Academy status will protect the long-term future of St Margaret's. As Chairman of Governors I am immensely proud of the school and feel that it is now best placed to meet the challenges that are facing education.

Yours sincerely,

**Brian Ricketts** 

**Chairman of Governors**