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## Joseph Swan Academy

We are delighted to announce that following discussions between Joseph Swan Academy, Emmanuel Schools Foundation and the Regional Schools Commissioner for the North, it has now been agreed in principle that Joseph Swan Academy will become part of Emmanuel Schools Foundation (ESF). ESF is a Multi Academy Trust that operates four schools across the North of England including Emmanuel College Gateshead, one of the region's top performing schools. All of our schools have a Christian ethos which inspires us to pursue excellence for every student in terms of character development and academic progress and to be communities where everyone is welcome whatever their religious or social background.

Staff at Joseph Swan will now continue to work in close partnership with colleagues in ESF in anticipation of the formal adoption of Joseph Swan Academy into ESF during 2019. We recognise that there will be much to do in this early phase, including holding quality conversations with parents, students and staff at JSA and the completion of further due diligence. During this time, we will seek to bring clarity to what it will mean for JSA to join ESF.

We believe that this is a very exciting opportunity for Joseph Swan Academy, Emmanuel College, ESF and for our region. We believe that bringing Joseph Swan Academy into ESF will have a significant positive impact upon the young people and families of Joseph Swan Academy, on the staff at the academy and in turn on the educational landscape in Gateshead. We believe that rapid improvement in outcomes is possible and have an ambitious plan for school improvement which will enable Joseph Swan to be an outstanding school serving the heart of Gateshead.

Further questions about any matter relating to this exciting development are very much welcome and can be emailed to [JSA@esf-schools.org.uk](mailto:JSA@esf-schools.org.uk)