# Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust

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22.03.24

# Dear Parents and Carers Community Consultation Chagford Primary Pre-school Provision

## **Proposal:**

Following a very positive initial survey to families, the board of Trustees and Leadership of the DMAT are proposing to lower the age range of the school from 4-11 to 9 months -11 years of age effective from 01.09.24.

#### **Background:**

Chagford Primary school would like to respond to the lack of childcare in the local area which will provide stability for the Reception numbers in the long term. There will also be no change to the number of Reception places available for children as the Planned Admissions Number for the school is 30. If the proposal is approved by the Trustees, the school will then be able to facilitate Nursery provision for children aged 9 months to 4 years old and be included on the school's roll. Parents and carers would still need to make a separate application to Devon County Council for a place in Reception and the school would support and assist parents and carers with this transition.

## The main benefits to this proposal are as follows:

- Providing a service for the local community that they would otherwise have to travel for,
- Securing the long-term stability of Reception numbers,
- Delivering a high-quality Early Years curriculum to support children's development from a younger age.

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#### The Process:

There will be a 4-week consultation period - 22.03.24 to 19.04.24.

Trustees will meet to consider the consultation responses.

If it is agreed that the proposal will be implemented, the proposed date for the provision will be from 01.09.24.

Please respond by completing this form by 19.04.24.

Yours faithfully

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