

## Kingsway Primary School Proposed Academy Conversion to join MITRE

### Questions Raised by Children

Theme of question	Question	Response
Kingsway Primary School identity and ethos	Will the school change it's name?  Is there a new uniform?  If this does happen will school stay the same?  Will anything change for our school?	A feature of MITRE is to allow Kingsway to still have its own identity. This means that we will still be Kingsway and will not change our name or uniform.  The only changes we will make would be ones we would have made anyway to keep Kingsway providing the best we can for the children.
	Would there be more rules?  Will we have more lesson time?	Kingsway will still be Kingsway. We will keep out Kingsway KIT and the rules we have. Our school day will also stay the same. Anything we change will be what we have decided as Kingsway to change.
	Will the teachers change?  Will Mrs Bradbury be busier?	The teachers at Kingsway will all still be the same.  Hopefully, Mrs Bradbury will not be busier as she will now have other people to work with which will help. This means she will have more time with children.
Funding	Why don't the government just give us more money?  Why do the county council take more?  If we have more money can we have more sporting events?	Kingsway would receive its own budget to meet the needs of its own pupils. At present, our school budget is given to us by the Local Authority, after they have taken money for services. As an academy we would receive our funding directly from central government. Any extra funding available will be for Kingsway to choose how to spend it for our children.

<p>Becoming an academy</p>	<p>What does academy mean?</p> <p>What will actually happen to our school if we join the trust?</p> <p>How will they determine if we're going to be an academy or not?</p>	<p>Being an academy means that Kingsway will receive funding directly to school and not be run by the county council. Kingsway would be able to decide on more things for the good of the children in our school, including how we spend our funding.</p> <p>Kingsway would be joining other academies so we would be able to work with different schools and share ideas to help everyone improve. Because we won't be changing uniform, name or staff children might not notice much difference.</p> <p>Our Kingsway governors will decide if we want to continue looking at joining other schools in the MITRE trust. They want to do the best for Kingsway and our children so they have been looking very carefully at what MITRE do. They have attended meetings and asked questions so that they can be sure this would be the best thing for Kingsway. If it isn't the right thing to do they will not continue</p>
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