

## Pledge your support

### You can detach this page and send it by post to:

New school consultation, The Pegasus Academy Trust, C/O Whitehorse Manor Junior School, Whitehorse Road, Thornton Heath, CR7 8SB.

### You can also e-mail this information to the chair of the Board of Directors:

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## Response form

If you think the proposed new secondary school, run by The Pegasus Academy Trust, would be a school that you would like to see established please complete your details here:

**First name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Surname:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Post code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Child(ren)'s date(s) of birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## Additional information (please tick)

<b>I have a child who is now in Year 5</b>	
<b>I have a child who is now in Year 4</b>	
<b>I would select the proposed Pegasus Academy Trust secondary school as first choice for my child (ren)</b>	

More information will be added to our website:  
[www.pegasusacademytrust.org](http://www.pegasusacademytrust.org)  
as it become available



Proposed new secondary school for Thornton  
Heath sponsored by

**THE PEGASUS ACADEMY TRUST**

Initial intake September 2014

One of the most trusted Academy groups in Croydon primary education is seeking to open a community secondary school. If your child is in Year 3, 4 or 5 this could be an option for your family. If you are interested please see details on the back page.

## **The Pegasus Academy Trust is already responsible for three primary schools in Thornton Heath with 6 forms of entry—over 1000 children—in our care. We are now seeking approval from the government to open a secondary school in September 2014**

The Pegasus Academy Trust was the first Primary Academy group approved by the Department for Education in Croydon in April 2011. In the 18 months since we were formed we have:

- Led Ecclesbourne Primary School out of Ofsted's "serious weaknesses" category. School now judged 'good' in a number of areas.
- Completed a £4.5M refurbishment at Ecclesbourne Primary School.

- Expanded our Whitehorse Manor schools from 2 to 3 forms of entry and worked with our partners to design wonderful new spaces to accommodate these children. This work is nearing completion.
- Been asked to create a new annexe for the Whitehorse Manor Schools on a site in Brigstock Road allowing more children the school place of their choice.

**The Directors of the Pegasus Academy Trust are committed to providing a high quality of education in our part of Croydon and believe children should have the chance to go to a good local school. Unfortunately at present children have to travel some distance, often using public transport, to get to secondary school. Our vision is for a local secondary school for the children of Thornton Heath where they can get a similar high quality of education to that found at the other schools within the group. This school would:**

- Carefully manage the move to secondary school with a 'bridge class' approach in Year 7, allowing students the chance to gain the study skills they will need and find their feet.
- Have a strong moral purpose but no business or religious affiliation.
- Specialise in humanities and citizenship—a choice unavailable locally.

## **Our values**

In our existing schools we teach our children five core values.

### **'Pegasus People':**

- **Care;**
- **Are proud of themselves and proud of each other;**
- **Are safe, healthy and happy;**
- **Have good manners;**
- **Strive to be independent learners;**

Our new secondary school will continue to promote these values and we believe that we can deliver a different kind of school experience where students take far more responsibility for their own learning and are active participants both in the organisation of the school and in the local community. In our primary schools we have demonstrated high standards of behaviour and attainment over many years while remaining inclusive to children of all abilities. With the number of school age children in this part of the borough at an all time high we believe the time is now right to apply these same values in the secondary sector. If you like what you have read here and are interested in knowing more please support us by responding to our consultation on the back page.

**"I was totally happy with my child's experience at primary school and would have liked them to have continued to be educated locally. I think a new secondary school for children in Thornton Heath is an excellent idea and support this proposal"**

**Year 7 parent.**