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### **Coalway Community Infant School and Coalway Junior School**

**Proposal to bring together Coalway Community Infant School and Coalway Junior School through the process of extending the age range of Coalway Junior School and closing Coalway Community Infant School with effect from 1 April 2026 to create an all-through primary school**

We are writing to inform you of the proposal to bring Coalway Community Infant and Coalway Junior under one Governing Body to create an all-through primary school through the process of extending the age range of Coalway Junior School and closing Coalway Community Infant School with effect from 1 April 2026. This has the full support of the two Governing Bodies and is considered to be in the best interests for the two schools, pupils/families and the wider stakeholder community

As Local Authority maintained schools, officers from Gloucestershire County Council will oversee the necessary legal process. An important first stage is to provide you with an opportunity to learn more about this proposal. Therefore, please find attached a document that sets out the background information and provides you with an opportunity to comment/respond.

There are a range of ways you can give your views, which are set out towards the end of the document. The document is also available to view online at: [Coalway Schools proposal](#).

It includes a link to complete an online survey for you to give your comments. The closing date for responses is 12 noon on **11<sup>th</sup> July 2025**.

The Governing Bodies of both schools are extremely positive about this opportunity moving forwards. After you have read the attached document please contact either of us, if you wish to discuss this further.

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Yours sincerely



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