

17 March 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: Return to school and changes to the Leadership Team

Thank you for your ongoing support with the return to school for all children. We appreciate there has been an increase in the volume of communication in order to try and get messages to parents, and we can only thank you for your support and patience in an ever changing time for schools.

Following the letter from Mrs. Trattles last this week, I wanted to update you with some changes to the leadership team in the Academy. Firstly, I am delighted to be undertaking the role of Head of School. I am truly privileged to be able to lead the day to day running of the Academy, whilst having the support of Mrs. Trattles as Lead Principal. The improvements in the Academy, since Mrs. Trattles arrived, have been significant and having seen change over the past eight years in the Academy, I am keen to provide stability and consistency, whilst continuing the improvements the Academy is making. As a result of my new role I am pleased to announce that James Thynne will become Vice Principal and it is also my pleasure to announce that Miss Melrose has subsequently been appointed to the Senior Leadership Team as Assistant Principal.

The Senior Leadership team now consists of:

- Mrs. Trattles – Lead Principal (Outwood Academy Redcar and Outwood Academy Bishopsgarth)
- Mr. Skidmore – Head of School
- Mr. Thynne – Vice Principal – Deep Support
- Mr. Wright – Assistant Principal – Deep Experience
- Miss Melrose – Assistant Principal – Deep Learning
- Miss Lee and Mr. Robinson – Associate Assistant Principals

Due to colleagues taking maternity leave, there have also been some changes to the Learning Manager team. We are delighted that Miss Speight (Year 11) and Miss Millward (Year 7) are joining the team. Miss Huskinson will move to work fully with Year 10, having supported Year 10 and Year 7 previously.

The Learning Manager team, is as outlined below:

- Year 7 – Miss Millward
- Year 8 – Miss McLaughlin
- Year 9 – Miss Collinson
- Year 10 – Miss Huskinson
- Year 11 – Miss Speight

Should there be a concern regarding your child, please contact your child's tutor in the first instance. If you need to speak to a Learning Manager, then please address your requests to the staff as outlined above.

Thank you for your ongoing support of all we do, in these ever changing times, it is wholly appreciated.

Yours faithfully



Graham Skidmore
Head of School