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Dear Parents/Carers

It is with great pride and honour that I write to introduce myself to you as the newly appointed Principal of Outwood Academy City. I am delighted to have the opportunity to lead an amazing academy with so much talent and special students and staff.

Andy has done an excellent job at the academy and I am determined to continue the positive developments, ensuring we put students first and continue to raise standards and transform lives.

Prior to my appointment, I worked in different roles within the Outwood Grange Academies Trust. These roles included Associate Director of Maths, Vice Principal in two academies (Outwood Grange Academy in Wakefield and Outwood Academy Valley in Worksop), Associate Principal across the Southern Region and most recently Principal at Outwood Academy Portland. I provided strategic and effective leadership in all these roles which led to outstanding outcomes for students. I have also used these roles to inspire and develop staff who have gone on to excel in their different positions across the Trust. It was therefore a proud moment to see one of my ex-students teaching in the humanities department at the academy.

I am fully aware that the academy has many strengths; I am excited about leading the staff and students through the next stage of their development. It is my belief that Outwood Academy City should be a place where talent and success are consistently celebrated, curiosity and resilience are nurtured and every individual is inspired to achieve their full potential.

My vision is to ensure all our students irrespective of their starting point or background are well supported and inspired to become well rounded individuals with a positive attitude to learning and to life, where they are ready to take on the challenges of our fast-changing world and to make a creative contribution to our own community.

It is this vision that will drive our actions, as we work hard to ensure we do all we can to help our students fulfil their full potential. We will also accomplish this vision by setting high expectations for all our young people, expecting them to work hard, while providing first class support. We also know that we require your support in ensuring that this vision becomes a reality, so we will explore all opportunities to improve our communication and partnership with you.

I look forward to working with you and also to meeting you face to face in the future.

Yours faithfully,

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Principal