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Dear Parents, Carers and Students

Welcome back and I hope you all had an enjoyable Easter break.

My name is Melanie Wicks and I am the new Executive Principal for Stamford Park Trust. I will be working closely with the staff across both Longdendale and Rayner Stephens.

I have over 21 years' experience of secondary school education, from my humble beginnings as a Science teacher to over 10 years' experience of Headship and school improvement work.

My role for the trust is to provide professional leadership and management for all the secondary schools in the trust, which will improve student outcomes and ensure the students achieve their full potential.

I am unashamedly aspirational for the schools and their students and passionately believe that by working together we can ensure that both schools become beacons of excellence in their communities, improving the life chances of all students in the Trust, with a relentless focus on creating opportunities for all students to thrive and make progress.

Students are at the heart of what the trust stands for and the school improvement work will focus on ensuring they go to good schools, where they are happy, safe, challenged through aspirational teaching and strive for excellence in order for them to reach their full potential.

The overarching vision for both schools is to ensure that every child achieves the highest standards in literacy and numeracy and the right range of skills, qualifications and achievements to allow them to succeed, ensuring every child has the same opportunity to succeed regardless of background and need.

I'm extremely excited to join Stamford Park Trust and believe passionately in the values of the Trust. I'm looking forward to working with both Longdendale and Rayner Stephens's staff, students, parents, carers and the local communities.

Parents and Carers will play a vital role in the next phase of the school improvement journeys and I looking forward to meeting you soon and working together to achieve our goals.

Yours Sincerely

Miss Melanie Wicks
Executive Principal

