



Waseley Hills High School

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5th November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you and your family are keeping well. I am writing to you today with some important and very exciting news, confirming Waseley Hills High School has officially joined Central Region Schools Trust this week.

Central Region Schools Trust is a school trust founded by the RSA in September 2012 that, with our inclusion, is now formed of ten academies across the West Midlands, all working together collaboratively to share and develop best practice in teaching, learning and curriculum for the benefit of all our pupils. We are delighted to start building on our relationships with the other schools across the Trust.

Central Region Schools Trust's core mission is to *promote opportunity and social justice for every child through exceptional schools*. Their strong record of driving excellence, through an ethos of collaboration, community, creativity, respect, and integrity will be a huge benefit to our pupils. Staff will be afforded the opportunity to share expertise, learning and resources together, to encourage a culture of best practice that will ensure high expectations and excellence for every child.

I want to reassure you that this will not impact any of your child's current arrangements at the school and the name as well as the uniform will continue to stay the same. Instead, your child will now be part of a dedicated community of schools that is committed to working together to deliver exceptional outcomes for all students.

Furthermore, I am also delighted to announce that, with the support of the Trust, we have also been able to secure funding for a brand-new state of the art building for the school. The Trust had been working with the Department for Education (DfE), to secure funding for the building, which will open in the same grounds as our current school. The current plans mean that pupils joining the school next September for Year 7 will move into the new building in Year 8. Please be assured, that whilst the new building is under construction, pupils will continue in the current school building, and we will be working extremely hard to guarantee this will cause no disruptions to your child's learning.

Guy Shears, Central Region Schools Trust's Executive Principal (CEO), leads the Trust, and has been working closely with our Acting Head Mr Andy Boot, to secure the funding for the building and has already begun creating opportunities for collaboration between ourselves and the other schools in the Trust.

Additionally, we have also appointed Damien Belshaw as the new principal for the school, who will begin the role on January 1st 2022. Damien has a wealth of experience both as a principal and a senior leader within a school, where he was instrumental in raising and maintaining a high standard of educational outcomes for students from all backgrounds.

We are delighted to welcome this new era for Waseley Hills and we look forward to sharing further information in the future. If you do have any questions or queries about any of the changes mentioned in the letter, please do contact the school office.

Kind regards,

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