



ROSE BRIDGE
A C A D E M Y

7th February 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

It gives me great pride and pleasure to introduce myself as Acting Principal of Rose Bridge Academy. Since my first day on Monday, I have been overwhelmingly impressed by the staff and students' warmth, friendliness and positive attitudes. All have made me feel very welcome and I have come to the conclusion that Rose Bridge Academy is a very special place. It has been an absolute pleasure to be in the Academy this week and I am very much looking forward to working with you to support all our students to achieve their very best.

My commitment to Rose Bridge Academy is to ensure we grow from strength to strength in these coming weeks and months and to provide stability and strategic direction for school improvement. It is essential that all students, irrespective of age, ability or background, achieve their full potential both academically and socially. Having worked in a variety of secondary school contexts, and having led previous schools to excellence, I am always drawn to schools where I can build a vision of success and contribute to raising the aspirations of our young people, so they are inspired to work hard, believe in themselves and achieve success.

In order to ensure rapid school improvement, the staff training day scheduled for Thursday 29th March will now be brought forward to Monday 26th February.

Students will now return to the academy after the half-term break on Tuesday 27th February – students should arrive to the academy each day by 8.40 am at the very latest, ready for a prompt 8.45 am start to the day.

This week I have taken assemblies, been in lessons and had lunch with students and have been impressed by the calm and supportive environment which is characterised by respectful relationships between the teachers and students. Each Friday, I hope to compose a weekly blog so parents and carers can share with me all the events and Academy news as they happen.

I want to develop strong, open relationships with parents, carers and teachers so that together we can support a shared vision of high expectations of our students and collectively contribute to the central mission of success for all. I very much look forward to working and meeting with you in due course.

Yours Faithfully

Miss S Pountain

Acting Principal

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