

Friday 16 April 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

It is my great privilege to be writing to you for the first time as Head of School of Outwood Academy Bishopsgarth. I am delighted to have been appointed to work with Mrs Trattles, Lead Principal, and our staff team to ensure that every child benefits from the very best education. I also extend a very warm welcome to Mr Maher who joins Outwood Bishopsgarth as Associate Vice Principal.

This is an exciting time in the life of our school community: students with a strong commitment to success; a highly motivated and skilled staff; a school that plays a key part in the wider community. The achievements of our students are reflected in strong exam outcomes and the successes they achieve at Outwood Bishopsgarth and during their future studies and careers.

Students first: raising standards and transforming lives


Our commitment to raising standards means that we want our students at Outwood Bishopsgarth to be leaders in their chosen careers. We want to prepare our young people so they can become the best nurses, architects, plumbers, lawyers - whatever they aspire to be – and go on to transform the lives of others.

I am mindful of the many changes that we have all had to adjust to during the last year, but I am proud of the resilience and hard work demonstrated by our students. It has been my pleasure to meet with students in lessons and at break times this week to talk with them about their aspirations and goals. They have spoken articulately and with enthusiasm about their school and community and are rightly proud, whilst also having constructive ideas about how we can continue to provide an excellent education for them.

Raising standards also means that we make sure all of the basics are consistently right. Thank you in advance for supporting us so that our very high standards of conduct, attendance and uniform are met, so that our staff team are able to focus on educational excellence.

We expect a lot of our young people because we believe they can achieve great things. I look forward to us working together and celebrating all that they achieve.

Yours faithfully,



Mark Robinson
Head of School