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Dear Parent/Carer,

It is my great pleasure to introduce myself as the new Interim Headteacher of Balby Carr Community Academy. I started on Monday 2nd January 2017 and have moved as swiftly as possible to introduce myself to the whole Academy community. The students and staff have been extremely positive in their response. My appointment followed a series of meetings and a demanding selection process during the last week of last term and meetings during the holidays.

I am an experienced Headteacher who has recently led Willenhall EACT Academy in Walsall West Midlands out of Special Measures. I have a proven track record in raising standards in secondary schools and thoroughly enjoy the job. I have worked in five secondary schools in a range of leadership positions including Principal, Associate Headteacher and Assistant Headteacher.

On the evidence of the first few days in post and following extensive meetings with our Trust representatives at WCAT it is clear we need to improve certain student's attitudes to learning. We will be holding parent meetings over the next few weeks to bring you up to speed with the developments that your son or daughter may have mentioned when they come home. For the vast majority of students this involves an improved reward system but for the students that do not make positive choices a series of sanctions will be put in place.

Clearly looking at the exam results of 2016 we have work that needs to be done to ensure all our students leave the academy with the best possible set of qualifications. I would welcome the chance to meet you when you are visiting the Academy and at future Academy events. Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me at the Academy.

Yours sincerely

Tom Ashley
Interim Headteacher