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Dear Parents and Carers

It is with great pride and honour that I write to introduce myself to you as the newly appointed Principal of Outwood Academy Portland. I am delighted to have the opportunity to lead an academy of excellence with so much talent and potential.

Prior to my appointment, I worked at Portland as the Head of Maths and will have taught many of your children. I have worked as Vice Principal in two academies (Outwood Grange Academy in Wakefield and Outwood Academy Valley in Worksop) where I provided strategic and inspirational leadership to raise standards and transform lives of students.

I am fully aware that the academy has many strengths and enormous potential; I feel energised and excited about leading the staff and the students through the next stage of their development. It is my belief that Outwood Academy Portland should be a place where talent and success are consistently celebrated, curiosity and resilience are nurtured and every individual is inspired to achieve their full potential

My vision is to ensure all our students become well rounded individuals with a positive attitude to learning and to life, where they are ready to take on the challenges of our fast-changing world and to make a creative contribution to our own community.

We will accomplish this by setting high expectations for all our young people, expecting them to work hard, while providing first class support.

I really look forward to meeting you and sharing the vision I have, as well as ensuring that we form a strong team, focused entirely on your child. The first opportunity for this will be at our Year 8, Guided Pathway evening on Tuesday 21st January 2020 which all our year 8 parents and students are encouraged to attend.

On Tuesday, 28th January 2020, at 4pm, in the Main Hall, I would like to invite all parents and students of other year groups to attend an open presentation where I will be more than happy to discuss my vision for Portland and answer any questions you have.

Yours faithfully



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Principal