



Dear Parents/Carers,

It is with great pride that I am writing this letter to you as the new Principal of Iceni Academy. I would like to extend a warm welcome to you and your child, as we embark on this exciting journey together.

The past few months have been unprecedented in so many ways. I am sorry if your child has not experienced being able to say goodbye to teachers in the usual way if transitioning from their primary. If your child is returning to us in one of the higher year groups, then I hope they will be excited to see us again, and are looking forward to the year ahead.

Please find enclosed some documents that should help you refresh your memory on the way we do things at the academy. I thought it might be helpful for you to have them all in one place. They include:

- A leaflet on attendance
- The rewards strategy
- Behaviour consequences and support
- A curriculum overview
- Uniform guide
- Information on School Money and Go 4 Schools
- Home Academy Agreement with addendum for COVID arrangements – please sign and return, or ask your child to request a paper copy on their return to school.

Please know that we are aware of certain limitations on uniform due to low stock at Birds. If you have been unable to purchase anything, please send your child to school with a note explaining this to hand in to their Tutor. We will collate this information to ensure that staff are aware. On a separate note, I understand that some students have purchased patterned or branded face masks in preparation for their return. Whilst plain masks are preferable, I am happy to allow these masks, as long as they do not have inappropriate messages or images on them.

Whilst this is not the start to my headship that I would have envisaged, I believe it is an excellent opportunity for students, staff and parents alike to join me in reshaping and improving the provision at Iceni Academy. I will be forming a parental forum during this academic year, to give parents a platform on which to discuss and find out more about what's going on in school, so please have a think about whether you would like to play a part in shaping the school.

In the meantime, please enjoy the weekend with your children. I look forward to meeting them next week.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Hogg'.

Lesley Hogg
Principal