

8th February 2018

## Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to invite you to attend a parental information evening at Newark Academy on Tuesday  $13^{th}$  February at 6.00pm. The purpose of the evening is to provide you with an important update regarding  $6^{th}$  form provision at Newark Academy for the academic year 2018 – 2019.

As you may already be aware, nationally, schools are facing significant financial challenges due to increased operational costs, and rapidly decreasing budgets. In fact, during the last 4-5 years, schools have faced a cut in budgets of around 15% in real terms.

Many of you have met with Mr Palethorpe to discuss the possibility of staying with us here at Newark Academy as we look to reignite our 6<sup>th</sup> form for our young people. The purpose of the meeting outlined above is to provide you with a sense of our present position and how this affects our plans for the growth of Newark Academy.

I do hope that you are able to attend this crucial information evening and look forward to seeing you on the 13<sup>th</sup>. If you are unable to make this event then please do not hesitate to contact <a href="mailto:kbarber@newarkacademy.co.uk">kbarber@newarkacademy.co.uk</a> (Head's PA) who will be happy to arrange a mutually convenient appointment where I will discuss the content of the evening with you personally.

Warmest regards,

**Andy Seymour** 

