

5th May 2016

To: All parents and carers of students at The Newark Academy.

Dear Parent/Carer

As you may be aware, Torch Academy Gateway Trust (TAGT) will become the sponsor of The Newark Academy from 1st September 2016. We are working with the current sponsors, Lincoln College Academy Trust (LCAT), to ensure a smooth transition.

TAGT and LCAT are working on a number of agendas in order to ensure that The Newark Academy is in a very strong position for the start of the new academic year 2016/17. This will involve:

- Refreshing and developing the leadership of the academy;
- Reshaping the curriculum offer for our students;
- Ensuring that all subjects are delivered by specialists;
- Renewing the focus on staff training, particularly around teaching and learning.

We are delighted to announce the appointment of Mr Andrew Seymour from 16th May 2016 as Head of School at The Newark Academy. Andrew is currently Head of School at Bluecoat Academy in Aspley, Nottingham. Mr Ashfaq Rahman (Vice CEO, TAGT) currently the Head at Toot Hill School and Mr Christopher James (Executive Headteacher, TAGT) will support The Newark Academy's leadership team. Both Chris and Ashfaq are very enabled leaders who have a strong record of success over a number of years.

In the coming weeks Andrew will invite all parents and carers to the academy to meet him and his new leadership team and to share the new vision for The Newark Academy. I hope you will be able to find time to attend.

This is an exciting time in the renewal and growth of The Newark Academy. With a new building and a reinvigorated educational vision, Newark will become the academy that the community wants and deserves. Building a new organisation takes time and places significant demands on staff, students and their parents/carers. Nevertheless, within the year we anticipate that the whole school community will see significant changes that will lead to a renewed sense of confidence in the academy.

We look forward to working with all stakeholders in a new spirit of partnership.

Yours sincerely

John Tomasevic
Chief Executive Officer