

18 September 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

**Y6 Open Evening - Tuesday 26th September 2017
6.00 - 8.00pm**

I am delighted to be able to invite you to our Open Evening for current Year 6 students. Redcar Academy has been supported by Outwood Grange Academies Trust since November 2015 and I am thrilled that we will officially convert to Outwood Academy Redcar in October 2017. Last year Outwood Grange Family of Schools was named in the Price Waterhouse Cooper research for The Times as the highest performing multi-academy trust (MAT) in the country.

Our goal is simple, we believe that:

“The whole point of schools is that children come first and everything we do must reflect this single goal.

Students First: Raising Standards and Transforming Lives”

This vision ensures that Outwood Academy Redcar is committed to providing an outstanding educational experience, allowing all our students to achieve their potential. I became principal of Redcar Academy in November 2015. At the end of our first year the school had doubled its 5A*-C with English and math's from 26% to 52% with a progress score higher than many other local schools

Our 2017 GCSE results for students achieving Grades 9-4 (the new A*-C) in both English and math's were 59%, up 7% on 2016. Four students achieved a Grade 9 (A**) in English, math's or both. For progress we are the **second highest** achieving school in the whole of Redcar and Cleveland. Only bettered by our sister school Outwood Academy Bydales. Students learn in a studious, hard-working yet warm and friendly community. We are particularly proud of how polite, helpful and supportive students are of each other, in and out of lessons, and how hard they work on key workplace skills such as resilience, confidence, commitment and team-work. Come and see this for yourself!

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I do hope that you will want to join us at our Year 6 Open Evening. It will give you the opportunity to see the Academy for yourself, meet our talented and committed staff who make such a difference to children's lives every day and find out more about the Academy and the Outwood Grange Family of Schools. The evening begins promptly at 6.00pm in the Main Hall with a short presentation from myself. It will then provide an opportunity for you and your child to tour the school, meet students, the leadership team and subject teachers and find out how our focused provision and learning environment will ensure your child makes excellent progress here.

In addition to this, we are so confident that you will be impressed with Outwood Academy Redcar, **we have an open door policy so you can visit any time during the academy day and see it first-hand.** Please just call in to the Academy reception, where our staff will be only too happy to help.

I hope to have the pleasure of meeting you and your child very soon.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "ASweeten". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Angela Sweeten
Academy Principal and National Leader of Education