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Dear Parent/Carer

Academy Leadership Update

We are delighted to inform you that on Monday 29 January 2018 we welcomed Mrs Melissa Brant-Smith to the Academy, joining us as Principal of Outwood Academy Redcar. You may remember Mrs Brant-Smith from when she played a key role in supporting the academy when it first joined the Outwood Family of Schools in November 2015.

Mrs Brant-Smith has a great deal of experience in school leadership, having worked most recently as the Associate Principal at Outwood Academy Ripon, graded an Ofsted 'outstanding' school, but also on the Senior Leadership teams of Outwood Academy Acklam in Middlesbrough, and Outwood Academy Bishopsgarth in Stockton-on-Tees.

She is excited to join our community here in Redcar, and is looking forward to meeting parents and carers over the coming weeks. She joins the Academy at an exciting time in its journey to excellence. You may have seen in The Gazette recently that our school was named in the top ten schools on Teesside, following the publication of the Performance Tables 2017 based on the summer GCSE results. Indeed, Outwood Academy Redcar is 22nd in the whole of the North East, out of 149 secondary schools, for progress students make after leaving primary school. This is a testament to the commitment of students, staff and parents who worked together so well to secure the best outcomes for our young people, under the fantastic leadership of Mrs Sweeten, who moves to Outwood Academy Ormesby as Principal. We wish her well with her new role, working with and supporting even more students, and I know you wish her well too.

I will remain as Executive Principal of Outwood Academy Redcar and you can be assured of my continued commitment to ensuring that all children at Outwood Academy Redcar are able to achieve their very best.

Yours faithfully



Andrew Wappat
Executive Principal



Dave Gallagher
Chair of Academy Council