

Dear families

Principal Appointment Update

As communicated earlier this term, James Inman will be taking up the role of Principal at Dixons Unity Academy. I am pleased to confirm that James will formally begin in post on Monday 16 March. We are looking forward to welcoming him into our academy community.

Ash Jacobs will leave Dixons Unity on 13 March in order to take up his new position with Pontefract Academies Trust.

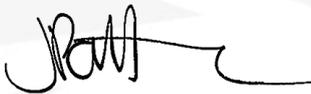
I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ash for his exceptional hard work and unwavering commitment over the past three years. His leadership has been instrumental in driving positive change across our academy. Through his clarity of vision, determination and genuine care for our young people, he has helped to strengthen the culture, expectations and aspirations of our school community. We are proud that he is moving on to an exciting new opportunity and continuing his work within the education sector. I know that many families will share our appreciation for his visible presence, approachability and steadfast focus on improving outcomes for every child.

James joins us as an experienced principal with a strong track record of school leadership and school improvement and has worked as a Department for Education Regional Improvement advisor, supporting schools to strengthen leadership, teaching and outcomes. James' commitment is to place students at the heart of every decision and I am confident that James is the right leader to continue leading Unity in the next stages of our positive journey together.

We will ensure that the transition is carefully managed so that there is continuity for our students and staff. James and Ash will work closely together during the handover period over the next few weeks to maintain momentum and ensure that the academy continues to move forward with confidence and purpose.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of the academy. It is through the strength of our partnership with families that we are able to provide the very best for our students.

Yours faithfully



Jason Patterson

School and College Trust Leader