



Dear Parent/Carer,

Following on from the letter sent to you earlier this week, I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you as the new Headteacher here at Buile Hill Academy. Having been appointed to the role of Deputy Headteacher in June 2021, I have been part of our school community here at Buile Hill for two years, having previously been a Deputy Headteacher in South East London, and bring with me experience of improving schools in similar contexts for over 10 years now.

I appreciate that the information shared on Monday may have been unsettling for some and as parents/carers, I understand that there may be some queries or concerns around the next phase of the school's journey. I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Mr Lancaster who has led our school for the last two years. Having worked directly under leadership, I have immense respect and gratitude for the work that he has done to move our school forward and take this opportunity to thank him not only for his service to Buile Hill but to the education sector for the last 30 years.

At this point in time, we are awaiting further information from the Department of Education regarding the next phase of the transfer of the school to another trust. I met with all our students on Tuesday morning to explain what we know so far and introduce myself as Headteacher. During these assemblies I made it very clear that regardless of any transfer or process to come, our priority as a school is to continue to drive improvements so that every child has access to the best possible provision and that is our number one priority: we are here to serve our students and community. In return, I reaffirmed our message to students that we will continue to expect them to:

- come to school every day on time, ready to learn
- follow instructions and work to the best of their ability
- be kind and courteous to all in our community.

The staff here at Buile Hill remain as committed to our students as they have ever been and I am privileged to lead a team of such dedicated and hardworking individuals across the school.

I want to take this opportunity to remind you of some key information that you may need as parents/carers.

Our senior leadership team remains a strong team of individuals, committed to driving forward improvements across the school. The senior leadership team is comprised as follows:

- Fariyah Alam, Headteacher
- David Murphy, Deputy Headteacher
- Tracey Offord, Assistant Headteacher for Key Stage 3
- Gareth Webb, Assistant Headteacher for Key Stage 4
- Ian Haslam, Assistant Headteacher for Assessment and Data
- Rebecca Woods, Assistant Headteacher for Personal Development
- Paul Foxtton, Assistant Headteacher for Attendance
- Nicola Birchall, Business Support Officer



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As always, the summer term is a busy term and our leaders will be working on bringing the year to a close whilst also preparing for September and setting out our strategic priorities for improvement for September. As these plans come together, I will continue to keep you updated as parents/carers so that we can continue to work in partnership with you moving forward.

I believe the partnership between home and school to be essential in guiding and supporting our young people and we will be expanding our engagement and communication with families particularly through the transfer process so that we can be open and transparent with you throughout.

A reminder that we welcome all questions and queries and if you would like to contact the school, our phone 0161 736 1773 and our general enquiries email builehillinfo@conilium-at.com

Later this term we will publish our end of term newsletter to showcase the fantastic contributions of staff and students. We would also like to use this as an opportunity to promote any local community initiatives that are relevant to our students and families so if you have anything you would like to promote such as a summer club or event, please do let us know.

The summer term is a busy one in terms of trips and celebrations. Below are some key dates to keep in your diary:

- 22nd June – Year 8 Parents Evening
- 16th June – Year 9 Options Deadline
- 29th June - Year 6 Parents Transition Evening
- 6th July – Year 11 Prom
- 7th July – INSET Day
- 12th July – Summer Arts Celebration
- 13th July – Year 7 Parents Evening
- 19th July – Last day for students
- 20th July – Staff INSET Day

Once again, I thank you for your patience and support during this time. I look forward to working with you as we move forward and am honoured and excited to be able to continue to drive our school forward so that every single child who walks through our doors gets the best provision that they deserve.

Kind regards,

Ms F Alam

Headteacher