



8<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Dear parents & students,

## Important Update - Developments in our Formal Partnerships

In September 2016 and again earlier this month, I let you know that we were increasingly working in ever closer partnerships with other schools, which enables us to share best practice for the good of all our students and staff and our wider communities.

I also explained the distinction between the key roles of 'Head of School' and 'Executive Head' and I am delighted that many of you have been very impressed with how quickly and successfully Mr Cunniffe has established himself in the Head of School role.

I did say that I would keep you informed whenever there were concrete developments in the ways we are working with other schools. **This letter is to let you know that our Governors have agreed that from September 2017, I will also be supporting Wellfield High School in Leyland in an Executive Head role.**

Sadly for Wellfield their current Headteacher, Mr Tolson, will be moving on in the summer. I will be supporting Wellfield Governors in the process of appointing a Head of School to work in a very similar way at Wellfield as Mr Cunniffe does here at Tarleton. Mr Tolson has been a close and valued partner of ours for many years and we are looking forward to strengthening our partnership with Wellfield at all levels in this new structure.

The most important thing is that both of our schools run smoothly and we continue to improve in all we do, supported strategically by the Executive Head. I believe we have shown that this is a successful model here at Tarleton, where the quality of our provision remains fully focused on our key aims and our students and staff continue to grow and flourish.

As our Multi Academy Trust continues to develop, it is that central core of excellence, high expectations, nurture, support and challenge that will be replicated across our family of schools, with no child left behind and no individual overlooked in their uniqueness and distinctive potential.

If any of you have any concerns regarding this development please do not hesitate to contact me directly. Tarleton Academy is a wonderful school and I remain proud and humbled to be leading such a fabulous team of staff and students in partnership with you, our parents.

Sincerely yours,  
*Mrs Gwinnett*  
Executive Headteacher



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**To strive, to seek, to find and not to yield**

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