

25th May 2021

Following Mr Smith's departure last week, it is a pleasure to be able to write to you as Acting Principal of Pimlico Academy, which I stepped into on Monday, 24th May.

The parents and carers of our students are an integral part of the academy community. I have met quite a number of parents in the past week, and I am very, very much looking forward to meeting many more of you in the coming months. If you see me about, please do stop me and introduce yourself. If any of you would like to have a one-to-one conversation with me, please do drop me an email and I can arrange that.

As an academy, we are committed to being better at communicating with you more frequently, and our parental engagement programme will be expanded to offer many opportunities for you to visit the academy and meet us regularly. We have a number of parent and carer engagement sessions planned for after the half term break, so please do look out for further information about these when details are published in the parent and carer newsletter at the end of this week.

Your children are the reason Pimlico Academy exists, and I look forward to working with you to ensure that they have the very best education here - they deserve nothing less than that. The world is theirs for the taking and I am committed to ensuring that Pimlico Academy continues to be a place which equips them for success, wherever their futures may take them.

Alongside our pupils, our staff are our greatest asset and I know they, too, are committed to delivering not only outstanding teaching, but offering the very best pastoral care to your children. In turn, I am determined to support the well-being of staff, as well as investing in their professional development.

I will spend next half term listening to all of the academy's stakeholders and evaluating carefully. I will then begin to formulate, with my senior team, a clear development plan for the year ahead. Pimlico Academy is a place with enormous potential. I am excited to be leading this community and relish the prospect of working with you to ensure that it fulfils that potential.

The Pimlico Academy community has diversity and vibrancy in its DNA, and I count it a huge privilege to lead such a community. I am determined to make it a place where every pupil, regardless of their ethnicity, religion, gender, sexuality or background is safe, respected and given the chance to flourish.

With all best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tony Oulton', written in a cursive style.

Tony Oulton

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(This email address will become live at 8am tomorrow morning.)