

16<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

I regret to inform you that Stuart Dixon, the Chair of Ashmole Academy Trust, has decided to step down with immediate effect. Stuart has been a Trustee and Governor for over 20 years and he has always given 100% to all he does. As a volunteer he spent so much time in the schools he was frequently mistaken for a member of staff! I know how much the students and pupils in the Trust owe to Stuart and we all wish him well in his retirement and look forward to seeing his garden reflect the considerable extra time he will now have.

The Trustees have met and I am pleased to inform you that Gonul Daniels, current Chair of the Primary School Governing Committee, former Chair of the Secondary School Governing Committee, current Vice-Chair and former Chair of the Trust, has very kindly agreed to act as the Chair of the Trust until 31st December when a new chair will be elected. We are in the fortunate position of having a very experienced dedicated Trustee willing to take on this role. Should you have any queries please contact Gonul Daniels by emailing Katy Dan-Gur the Clerk to the Ashmole Academy Trust: [clerk@ashmoleacademytrust.org](mailto:clerk@ashmoleacademytrust.org)

The Trustees have agreed to increase the membership and are exploring the most effective way of recruiting new members. They are very aware of the current gender imbalance in the current Trust Board. I know that Gonul plans to write to all parents in September to update you on the process.

Yours sincerely,



Mr D Brown  
CEO – Ashmole Academy Trust