

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are looking forward to being able to share with you the report following our recent Ofsted inspection in the coming weeks, and feel confident it will provide an opportunity for us all to celebrate all of our achievements, and the great school community I have the privilege to work within.

Whilst we've not yet received the report, it was clear that the Ofsted inspection team recognised that over the last 24 months we have tackled many challenges in partnership with Consilium Academies (our Academy Trust) and that, as a result, what we offer our students is very strong.

I am also proud that inspectors recognised and celebrated our student-centred approach and the work we have done together to develop our caring school community. Please know that as soon as we have the full report, we will share that with you.

We continue to have the highest of aspirations for what can be achieved at Moorside High School, ensuring that every individual student has the opportunity to thrive. We know that our children can achieve anything, and we believe in them. We now have an extremely strong foundation to work from, our curriculum is designed with growing ambition and the future looks very exciting following our school receiving the highest number of applications for year 7 across the city.

As you will be aware, based on the strength of our success I was asked to take on a new role within Consilium Academies at the end of the last academic year. This meant I was able to continue supporting the development of Moorside, whilst also providing support to other schools within the Trust. At this time Mrs Ryles-Dean was appointed to the post of Head of School and our working relationship has continued to grow and develop.

I am truly delighted to say that, following a recruitment process across our family of schools, Mrs Ryles-Dean has now been permanently appointed to the post of Headteacher with effect from 1st April 2022. This appointment reflects our recent successes, and the substantial impact that Mrs Ryles-Dean has had in her role as Head of School.

I am also delighted that I will be continuing to support the school and working closely with Mrs Ryles-Dean in my role as Director of Education at Consilium Academies. In this role, I will continue to be in school on at least a weekly basis, supporting Mrs Ryles-Dean and the rest of our team as we take our important next steps to develop the truly-outstanding provision that our community deserves. With the support of our wider Trust team, I am incredibly excited by what can be achieved.

I am sure you will all join me in wishing Mrs Ryles-Dean the very best of luck in her new role and she will be in touch very shortly.

Finally, on behalf of the team at Moorside High School and Consilium Academies, I would like to thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

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