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# THE ST LEONARDS ACADEMY

## PRIDE THROUGH SUCCESS

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Principal: Stuart Smith

Dear Parent/Carer

I am delighted to have been appointed as Principal of The St Leonards Academy as of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019 and excitedly look forward to serving the students, staff, parents and the wider community.

Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Smith for his dedicated and committed leadership throughout the last term.

I spent three enjoyable days at the Academy during December which involved meeting and working with a range of remarkable and talented staff and students from every year group. This has provided me with a valuable opportunity to listen to the great successes of the Academy as well as reflect on areas that are in need of further development.

Our vision, "Education transforms lives and creates brighter futures", is delivered and united through our values of "PRIDE". Our vision and values capture the sense of optimism and determination that permeates all we do; we all have the highest aspirations for every student. We are determined to ensure that all of our community **believes that they can achieve** through inspirational teaching and learning that is delivered within a nurturing and supportive environment.

I place great importance in having the highest standards, founded by an unwavering ambition to unlock the potential in every student within a community. TSLA will be an environment where courtesy and manners matter, a place where hard work and learning is valued, challenge is encouraged and achievement respected.

I am filled with confidence that our skilled staff team and supportive parent body will work tenaciously together to achieve our shared goals.

I would welcome ideas and feedback on how together, we can further grow TSLA into a truly distinctive centre of learning excellence. Please contact Gail Ferguson in the first instance (PA to the Principal) and I will soon establish a weekly drop in session for parents/carers to meet the Principal.

From my early discussions with staff and students, the attachment to this letter addresses key points needing absolute clarity as we move into the New Year and an exciting new term. I truly look forward to meeting and working with you very shortly. I wish you and your families a wonderful holiday and a successful 2019.

Yours faithfully

Mr Moir  
Principal



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