

To: Parents and Carers

17 April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted to be joining The Latimer Arts College as the new Principal at an exciting time in its development. I have worked in comprehensive education in Northampton and Wellingborough for over 25 years, contributing to significant school improvement and staff development. I have experience of leading schools through inspections and recently, as the Interim Principal of a school in Northampton, I navigated the turbulent educational landscape, drawing on my resilience, drive and vision.

My professional motivation has always been to change lives, to create opportunities for young people and enable them to flourish. To this end, I will endeavour to build on the successes at Latimer, whilst maintaining the high standards and the core values that have been evident when I have visited. Can I draw your attention to the reminders in the most recent newsletter and ask for your support in ensuring students arrive 'Ready to Learn' on Tuesday 18 April.

I was fortunate enough to meet many staff and students last term and would now welcome the opportunity to talk to parents and carers too. In order to facilitate this, we have arranged an open house event on Wednesday 3 May for parents and carers of children in any year group to come and *'Meet the Principal'*. Refreshments will be served in the lobby of the Masque Theatre from 5:45pm with a short introduction speech in the theatre at 6pm with time for individual questions afterwards. Ms Pankhania will be holding a short Parent Forum briefing session afterwards. New members are welcome to join this Parent Forum briefing.

If you wish to attend, please click [here](#) to confirm your attendance so we can book refreshments.

I look forward to ensuring your sons and daughters unlock their full potential, both within and beyond the classroom, over the next few years.

Warm regards



Mrs Kathryn Murphy
Principal