



Friday 1st December 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

A very warm welcome to Victoria Academies Trust!

We are both delighted and proud to welcome the pupils and parents of Birchen Coppice to our family of schools with effect from today, Friday 1st December. This is going to be an exciting time for our community as we strive to develop in partnership with you, a full range of services to our families over time.

Our vision is simple, inspiring and innovative, in that we want to create a family of pioneering schools that celebrate diversity and commit to excellence ensuring our values and beliefs are embedded into all that we do. As you enter our school you will start to see and feel these core values from the moment you enter our academy.

Our standards are high as we believe that everyone, children and adults are capable of remarkable success. We aim to create an environment where children thrive and achieve their full potential. We want our children to find learning irresistible and where they develop the confidence and skills to welcome opportunities and challenges on their learning journey. In this context, we aim to give children rich experiences with interesting trips and visits to bring their learning to life through our NICER curriculum and learning challenges.

You will get the opportunity to see what we aspire to achieve with your children at a special assembly for parents on **Tuesday 5th December at 9 am**. The morning will start with refreshments, followed by a welcome from our CEO, Mr Andrew Morrish, who would like to welcome each and every one of you to the Trust. During this session you will have an opportunity to meet some of the children from two of our Academies across the Trust, who will do a couple of short presentations to you.

We are delighted that children from our lead school - Victoria Park Academy, Smethwick – will be sharing their social enterprise business with you, together with children from Devonshire Junior Academy, Smethwick who will be sharing with you what our values mean to them. This is an exciting opportunity for you to join us to see what we strive to achieve – excellence! Please do take up the opportunity to come and meet us and ask questions, offer support and suggestions. We will also be sharing some of our future plans with you in terms of some of the ideas and opportunities we are exploring for Birchen Coppice.

We very much look forward to meeting you and getting to know you and your children, and look forward to growing together. In the meantime, if you want to find out more about the trust, find them on Twitter @VicAcademies or at www.victoriaacademiestrust.org.

Yours sincerely

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