

30 January 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

**Governors' 'Parent Voice' Forum – Thursday 2 February 2017 6.00 – 7.00pm**

I am pleased to invite you to the termly Parent Voice meeting, which will take place in the Main Hall on Thursday 2 February 2017 from 6pm to 7pm.

After, once again, achieving the highest ever A\* - C in English and mathematics results in the history of the school, we are now able to celebrate the recently released school performance tables, which put Outwood Academy Bydales 8th of 55 similar schools. This places the academy in the top 15% of comparable schools in terms of the attainment of students, reflecting ability of students via KS2 SATS results on entry to secondary school. We are also the highest performing secondary school in Redcar and Cleveland using the Government's latest measure of achievement, Progress 8.

At the meeting Mr Wappat will present an update on the progress of the Academy and expand on the impressive successes made by our students.

The purpose of these informal meetings is also to give you, as parents/carers of the students at Outwood Academy Bydales, an opportunity to ask questions and make suggestions which will help us continue to improve the educational experience we provide for our students, at the Academy. Mr Wappat will respond to these. In the past they have led to many actions and improvements. One of the most recent of these, for example, is the set-up of page online for parents to sell out-grown uniform.

If you are unable to attend this meeting or would prefer to send a written query or comment, my email address is: [chairofgovernors@bydales.outwood.com](mailto:chairofgovernors@bydales.outwood.com)

This is not an opportunity to discuss the academic or social needs of individual students, as queries concerning these are welcomed by direct contact with the appropriate members of staff.

We propose to hold our remaining Parent Voice meeting this academic year on Monday 19 June 2017.

Our academy provides an education for students in the local community, within the Outwood Grange Academies Trust Family of Schools. We value your input as we are always working to give our students an even better educational experience. We look forward to seeing you on Thursday.

Yours faithfully



Tricia Taylor  
(Chair of Academy Council)