



14th September 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to Ark Oval Primary Academy

I am proud to be a part of Ark Oval Primary Academy, a school that represents its local community and works tirelessly to ensure that children, parents and staff all maximise their full potential.

Our mission to ensure that all children have the opportunity to attend University or pursue a career of their choice is incredibly important. This is something that we keep at the forefront of our minds every day, through our academy values – **Be Brave, Be Resilient, Be Honest, Aim High** and **Be Respectful**.

Staff, children and the parents all have an important part to play in ensuring that Ark Oval pupils become fully engaged, responsible, sensitive and reflective citizens. Our expectation is that everyone is focused on achieving the best possible outcome for your child, allowing them to **Aim High** in every aspect!

That starts with commitment to the academy, to being an active part of the school community, to maintain and model the high expectations the academy sets for engagement, behaviour, dress and attendance, because these are the very building blocks for your child's future success.

We are committed to do whatever it takes to provide a balanced, well-rounded and holistic education for your child, with not only a focus on the academics but fostering sports, arts, spiritual, personal and social skills, a life-long love of learning and providing pupils with the fundamental knowledge and skills they require to succeed in whichever path they choose.

Thank you to all those who attended the coffee mornings this week. In the coming weeks we will be issuing a parent survey on a number of matters including clubs, lunches and academy arrangements. Your voice in these is important and will help us form a strategy to ensure that Oval is a community school that serves the needs of the pupils and the local area to the very highest standard.

The week has been hugely successful with children focused on enriching their learning with music, art and mutual understanding. This new positive learning environment is already reaping rewards and the school looks great and, most importantly, feels great.

So let's **Be Brave** and **Aim High** as we embark on this adventure together!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'T Martlew', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mr T Martlew
Principal