

John Taylor MAT

CEO: Mike Donoghue MA (Hons), MBA, NPQH, NLE



9th June 2017

Dear Parent

I am sure that you will have seen in the local press that the Department for Education has asked the John Taylor Multi Academy Trust ("JTMAT") to run the new school that is currently being built in Tatenhill. I hope that you will agree with me that these are exciting times for the Trust, and we are looking forward to the pupils of all schools within the Trust (John Taylor, Kingsmead School, Thomas Russell Infants School and Yoxall St Peters) benefitting from the extra capacity that the new School will bring us.

In order to make the most of that capacity and to exploit further opportunities we anticipate, the Trustees have decided that Mr Mike Donoghue should move to full time Chief Executive of the Trust from September 2017 (a position he has held alongside the role of Principal of John Taylor since September 2015).

The Trust and John Taylor Local Governing Body believe the most appropriate course of action will be to back-fill the role of Principal for an interim period of a year, and use that year to conduct a national recruitment campaign for a permanent replacement.

Changes to the Head of School can be slightly unsettling but please be assured that I, the Trust and the Governors will ensure that the very high standards that Mr Donoghue has instilled will continue. I will write to you again when we have appointed to the interim role.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Gareth Moss'.

Gareth Moss
Chair, John Taylor Trust
Chair of Governors, John Taylor High School