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Tuesday 7th January 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

We have been working closely with our sponsor, CORE Education Trust to develop ambitious plans for a major investment strategy into a larger, more fit for purpose, single city centre site for the children of City and Central Academies.

We are now in a position for these plans to progress to a next stage which we anticipate will develop as a two to three year development project. The ultimate aim of this project will be to move all our students to new accommodation, which will be the result of a multi-million pound investment coordinated by CORE Education Trust. This will coincide with the staging of the Commonwealth Games and provide a fitting legacy for the Games - a super city school for Birmingham and the West Midlands to be proud of.

This plan has been inspired by our commitment to invest in our students, your children, to ensure they have access to much better facilities, including specialist sports and arts facilities. It will also enable us to offer a wider breadth of curriculum.

We will soon be providing details of a formal consultation process relating to this plan. We are setting up a project steering group and will be providing regular consultation opportunities for all stakeholders including staff, students and their families.

In order to realise this exciting ambition, we will need to establish some new interim arrangements from September 2020. From that time therefore, students and staff from both City and Central Academies will work together across the two current sites. The consultation process will allow us to explain more specific details of this in due course. Although there will be some changes to day to day arrangements, the vast majority of students will continue with their current routines. We have a large team of very capable executive, senior and middle leaders who will make any new arrangements work without disruption.

Miss Slater will remain the Headteacher of City and Mr Bailey will remain the Headteacher of Central with the respective leadership teams working as one to ensure that the proposed transition is smooth and that longer term plans are realised in the best interests of all our students.

It is likely you will have questions about this plan either now or in the coming days and weeks ahead. We will be providing an opportunity for you to raise your questions with us through the consultation process, details of which will be sent to you in the coming weeks.



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The focus now and in the future will remain squarely on carrying on as usual and focusing on the needs of the children we look after.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Slater

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City Academy Headteacher

Mr Bailey

Central Academy Headteacher