



14<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

Bright Futures Educational Trust recently suspended from duty Ms Jane Bailey, principal of South Shore Academy.

We understand that the local media have learned of the suspension and are likely to publish the information in the near future.

The suspension is an entirely neutral act and Ms Bailey will continue to be paid. The suspension has been put in place to allow for an effective and efficient investigation to take place into issues around the management of the school. As always, our decisions are taken in the best interests of the children, families and communities that we serve in South Shore as well as the Academy's staff. We aim to conclude this matter as soon as possible.

We hope that all matters can be resolved quickly and, in the meantime, the school is being capably led by Vice Principal Mr Neil Reynolds with the support of the principal at Marton Primary School and the wider leadership team.

As a trust, we are continuing to invest heavily in the future of the staff and students of South Shore Academy. The move into the brand new, state of the art building will provide staff and students with the very best environment in which to teach, learn and continue to make progress.

Yours faithfully



**Dr John Wm Stephens, CBE**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

