



26th June 2020

Dear new year 7 pupils, parents and carers,

May I extend a very warm welcome to you from all of us at The Albion Academy. You are joining the school at a very exciting time in its development as we strive to build on the many successes the school has had this academic year prior to the closure for Covid19.

We continue to benefit from being part of a national academy chain in United Learning, which provides local Salford based solutions to the ever-changing demands of the education system.

Our mantra is one of *'high expectation'* and the *'best from everyone'*. We set targets that are highly aspirational to stretch and challenge our pupils. Alongside that we teach our children to be resilient in the face of the inevitable anxieties and setbacks that come with learning new skills and knowledge. This is certainly the case right now with schools closing in March and all us finding our way in this *'new normal'*.

We believe that the intelligence of a child is not fixed but can be developed and grown regardless of their starting point. We believe in the traditional values of being polite, honest and in hard work, as they are critical in allowing teachers to teach and children to learn. Alongside our behaviour policy sits a reward system that recognises the achievements of pupils who work hard and show a good attitude towards their learning.

You will be pleased to hear that relationships with parents and carers at The Albion Academy are traditionally strong and we continually strive to find new and better ways to encourage this two-way communication.

We achieve this in a variety of ways, ranging from a simple message in the pupil planner to tours of the school whilst lessons are in progress, face-to-face meetings plus the website, text, email and twitter.

You have chosen a school with fantastic facilities which are well looked after. Staff are committed, hardworking and enthusiastic, so every child, regardless of ability, will have the opportunity to reach and in many cases surpass their potential.

I trust that this is the beginning of a very enjoyable and successful journey for us all as we start our time at the Albion together.

Thank you for choosing The Albion Academy and I look forward to seeing you all very soon.

Mr Jason Roberts
Principal