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Dear Parents and Carers

The Burgess Hill Academy leadership announcement

I am writing to inform you about some leadership changes at The Burgess Hill Academy. The academy's Principal, Mr Jon Francies, has been undertaking the role of Interim Principal at The St Leonards Academy since May 2021; Mr Francies has now been appointed on a permanent basis to that role.

As one of the University of Brighton Academies Trust's most experienced and successful leaders, Mr Francies will additionally continue to provide strategic advice and support to other academies in the Trust, including The Burgess Hill Academy, in his capacity as Lead Principal.

Mr Francies, said: "I have loved my time as Principal of Burgess Hill Academy. It has been a pleasure to see the school grow and develop. We are truly blessed with a phenomenal group of students who will continue to go from strength to strength."

We will be proceeding with the recruitment of a new permanent Principal at The Burgess Hill Academy in the near future where I will keep you informed. In the meantime, I am very pleased to confirm that Mr Anthony Snape will continue as Interim Principal, providing excellent leadership of teaching and learning for the benefit of students at the academy.

Yours faithfully



Dr John Smith
Chief Executive
University of Brighton Academies Trust