

15<sup>th</sup> July 2019

## To All Parents/Carers

Dear Parent/Carer,

### RE: Whitley Academy and RSAA

On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July at the Full Governing Body Meeting, the Governors voted to dissolve our long-standing partnership with the RSA Academies.

We have been part of the RSA family of Academies as a Single Academy Trust for a number of years. We will still be a Single Academy Trust, but will no longer maintain direct links with the RSAA.

What will this mean for us as a school?

- There will be a period of transition during which, we will begin to remove references to the RSA Academies from our documentation and our PR materials and from signs and notices around site.
- Our dedicated, highly skilled and committed staff, will continue to uphold high expectations of and aspirations for all of our students.
- We will still recruit and train very effective teachers through our strong local links and partnerships. [There will be no impact on staffing. Our teachers and indeed all our staff are employees of Whitley Academy and not of the RSAA.]
- Our robust school improvement planning and clear investment strategy will ensure that we continue to make progress to secure positive outcomes for students.
- Our students will no longer be involved in RSA events (although, admittedly these have been very infrequent recently). We will generate our own menu of activities for students to get involved in more locally.

I appreciate your continued support, as we work together, sharing the same vision and values to ensure that every member of our school community is enabled to be the best that they can be.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs K Wright  
Principal