

11 September 2015

Dear Parent/Carer

Y6 Open Day, and Open Evening - Thursday 17 September 6.00-8.00pm

I am delighted to be able to invite you to our Open Evening for current Year 6 students. We are part of the Outwood Grange Family of Schools – one of the highest performing groups of schools in the country. Outwood Academy Bydales has been open now for one year and outcomes for our students have been outstanding this year.

Our goal is simple, we believe that:

“The whole point of schools is that children come first and everything we do must reflect this single goal. ‘Students First’” – Sir Michael Wilkins, Academy Principal and Chief Executive

This vision is helping us to ensure that Outwood Academy Bydales is committed to providing an outstanding educational experience, allowing all our students to achieve their potential. **This year, our results moved the school to become the top performing secondary school in Redcar & Cleveland (and Middlesbrough). Our 2015 GCSE results of 5+A*-C including English and maths were 73%**, up 17% on last year and 13% higher than the school's previous best of 60% when the school was judged outstanding by Ofsted.

Year 6 Open Day

Parents and students are most welcome to visit the school between 9.00am and 11.00am or between 1.00pm and 2.30pm to see us 'at work'. Parents are welcome to stay beyond 2.30pm to visit some of our after-school Enrichment activities that take place from 2.30pm– 3.30pm. We are currently offering over 60 this term. I would be grateful if you could give some advance notice if you intend to take up this opportunity to visit during the day of the 17 September by emailing enquiries@bydales.outwood.com

Year 6 Open Evening

I do hope that you will want to join us at our Year 6 Open Evening, which will be held on **Thursday 17 September 2015, 6.00pm-8.00pm**. It will give you the opportunity to see the Academy for yourself, meet the talented staff who make a difference to children's lives every day and to find out more about the Academy and the Outwood Grange Family of Schools. The evening begins at 6.00 pm in the Main Hall with a short presentation at 6.10pm prompt. It will then provide an opportunity for you and your child to tour the school, meet students, the leadership team and subject teachers and find out how our focussed provision and learning environment will ensure your child makes excellent progress here.

In addition to this, we are so confident that you will be impressed with Outwood Academy Bydales, **we have an open door policy so you can visit any time during the academy day and see it first-hand**. Please just call in to Reception, where our staff will be only too happy to help – you do not need an appointment.

I hope to have the pleasure of meeting you and your child very soon.

Yours sincerely



Andrew Wappat
Principal

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