

31 January 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

GOVERNORS' 'PARENT VOICE' FORUM - Wednesday 6 February 2019, 5.00-6.00pm

This term's 'Parent Voice' meeting will be held at Outwood Academy Bydales on Wednesday 6 February, hosted in the Main Hall.

Ms Rice, our Associate Principal, will provide an update on the progress of the Academy and will welcome any questions and comments.

As always, queries concerning the academic or social needs of individual students are welcomed by direct contact with appropriate members of staff via email or on Parents' Evening on Thursday 28 February.

In January 2019 the gov.uk website published its latest data on all state secondary schools. We were delighted to see that Outwood Academy Bydales achieved the highest progress scores in the whole North East of England. That includes Northumberland, North Tyneside, South Tyneside, Newcastle, Sunderland, Durham, Middlesbrough, Stockton, Hartlepool, Darlington and Redcar and Cleveland. I know you will agree that this is a fantastic achievement for students, staff and parent/carers, who all played their part in this wonderful result.

But I can assure you that Outwood Academy Bydales is always striving to do even better for its students in all aspects of their education.

These termly meetings are an opportunity for you to learn more about the Academy and keep in touch. Please let me know if there are any policies or other areas of the Academy's life that you would like to learn more about, as we may be able to arrange a presentation at a future meeting.

The minutes of all previous meetings are available on the Academy's website and they show the breadth of questions that are asked and the subjects that are discussed. We welcome all your comments, as they help us in our constant aim to provide your children with an even better educational experience.

If you are unable to attend this meeting or would prefer to send a written query or comment, my email address is: p.taylor@bydales.outwood.com

We look forward to seeing you next Wednesday.

Yours faithfully



Tricia Taylor
(Chair of Outwood Academy Bydales Academy Council)