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Sent by email only.

Dear parent/carer,

I am writing to update you on exciting developments for City Academy. As you may know, it has long been our aspiration to bring the whole school community onto a single site, so that students may experience fully the benefits of being part of City Academy.

I am delighted to update you that we now have the necessary funds to push ahead with our plans. Building work is due to commence at Langley Walk in the Summer Term, and will then run for the remainder of the year, with the site ready to accommodate *all* students there from September, 2022. Please be reassured that there will be no changes to your child's education or the subjects they study as a result of the move. On a practical note, our uniform will remain the same, as will the timings of the school day, email addresses and so on.

The project will include a complete refurbishment of the building, which will be fully reconfigured and decorated, to create a light and modern learning environment, and the addition of a fully equipped fitness suite, dance studio and new, welcoming reception area. A later, second stage of development will include brand new, multi-use indoor sports facilities and a rooftop garden. Our experienced project manager has a phased programme in place to ensure your child's education is not negatively affected while the building work is underway.

I hope you will agree that as City Academy we have already been able to provide students with greater access to specialist support in every area of the curriculum, pastoral care, and personal development. By consolidating on one school site, we can be more ambitious in our goals for the future: widening the curriculum offer, offering more choice and a higher quality of educational experience, and building teaching excellence.



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The new-look City Academy will be led by Mrs Rebecca Bakewell, who will step up from her role as Head of School at Langley Walk to become Headteacher of City Academy in September. Mrs Bakewell's appointment follows a rigorous recruitment process in which she was the panel's unanimous choice. We feel incredibly fortunate to have someone with her experience, dedication, and vision at the helm.

In another positive move, we are thrilled that Mrs Rekha Shell-Macleod will be staying on in a leadership role within the Trust.

For information, Newhall Street will be used for Trust-wide provision, including CORE Hello, masterclasses, and a number of the new innovative partnerships we have underway.

Our ambition is to develop an outstanding school that will inspire, enable, and enrich the lives of every one of our students. We will continue to keep you informed as the building work progresses, but should you have any questions about this news please do not hesitate to get in touch with Mrs Bakewell and her team in the usual way.

Warm regards,

Adrian Packer, CBE, CEO CORE Education Trust