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Dear Parents and Carers

Exciting years lay ahead for young people in Bournemouth as we take advantage of considerable Government funding to transform our secondary schools making them fit for the 21st Century. Our intention is that our Building Schools for the Future Programme will radically improve the experience that young people have at school, driving up standards and making school buildings a focus for the community. We want to introduce a real "wow" factor!

Buildings alone however, will not achieve the improvements we want to see and we are therefore taking this opportunity to reorganise the way that some of our secondary schools are managed and led, particularly where outcomes for young people have not been as strong as we would want them to be despite the best efforts of hard working staff.

With this in mind, I am pleased to be able to bring proposals to you for the transformation of Kings High School into an Academy within our Building Schools for the Future programme. These proposals will allow a new Academy to access the considerable experience of sponsors, Canford School and The Bournemouth & Poole College, in raising young people's aspirations and preparing them for successful lives.

The new Academy will be an essential part of our family of schools in Bournemouth, with plans to expand over future years to include post-16 provision focusing on outstanding education and wider services to the local community.

You are invited to read the information pack, discuss it with your family and friends and let us know what you think of our proposals using the response form. You are also invited to the public meeting at which there will be an opportunity to ask further questions and give us your thoughts.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jane Portman".

Jane Portman
Executive Director
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