

WH/RNM

10th July 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

Elliott Hudson College at Boston Spa Academy

We are very excited to announce that in response to the Minister's decision to grant our academy order we are bringing Elliott Hudson College to Boston Spa, and re-launching our sixth form as Elliott Hudson College at Boston Spa Academy for 2019.

Throughout the last 18 months a central strand of the shared vision of Governors and The Gorse Academies Trust (TGAT) Board was to transform post 16 education. We are delighted that the launch of Elliott Hudson College at Boston Spa Academy not only accelerates this strategic plan but will also bring new opportunity for those Key Stage 4 pupils across the locality who have just completed their GCSEs.

TGAT opened Elliott Hudson College as a sixth form provider in the south of Leeds in September 2015. It has already established itself as the 4th highest performing sixth form college in England, with Ofsted grading it as '[Outstanding](#)' in all areas in 2018.

Our current sixth form at Boston Spa is also very high performing and we believe that bringing the two organisations together will establish a formidable partnership. Be assured that pupils at Boston Spa Academy will always be prioritised in our sixth form provision. This coming academic year will see the establishment of a transitional period within which all key values, expectations and operational procedures will be developed.

The opening of Elliott Hudson College at Boston Spa will bring an initial investment of £350,000 from TGAT. This will be used to upgrade existing sixth form facilities in the autumn of 2018, including remodelling learning spaces and transforming the ICT infrastructure.

Students will not move between the two sites for their learning; those enrolled at Elliott Hudson College at Boston Spa will complete all of their studies here in Boston Spa.

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Both Boston Spa Academy and Elliott Hudson College share the conviction that there are no shortcuts or easy fixes; we know that with hard work, a supportive culture and great teaching, all students can succeed. It is these foundations that will underpin our work and allow students to achieve academic qualifications that create great opportunities in world class universities and careers of choice and significance.

I would once again like to take the opportunity to thank you for your support over the last year; we are thrilled that the commitment shown to us by our community is so swiftly being rewarded with such a significant and positive development.

There is an opportunity for potential sixth form students and their parents/carers to meet with staff at Boston Spa Academy to talk about the opportunity presented by these changes on Wednesday 18 July starting at 6.00pm.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact our Director of Sixth Form, Mr Brennan, on 01937 846 612.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'CWALSH', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

CHRISTOPHER WALSH
Principal