



Willenhall E-ACT Academy
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Dear parents and carers,

I hope my message finds you and your family well during this time.

I am writing to let you know that Mr Matthew Flannigan, our interim headteacher, has been appointed E-ACT's national director of primary education. Whilst Mr Flannigan will continue to support our academy as he takes up his new role, I am delighted to announce that we have already appointed a new headteacher in Mr Anosh Bhugvandeem.

Mr Bhugvandeem will be a familiar face to most at the academy having joined Willenhall in January as associate headteacher. He joined Willenhall from North Birmingham Academy (NBA), an E-ACT academy where he played a crucial role in securing its first-ever Ofsted 'Good' rating.

In a teaching career spanning over 20 years, Mr Bhugvandeem has held various senior leadership positions in schools across the West Midlands, bringing extensive experience and expertise in schools and communities very similar to ours here in Walsall.

Mr Bhugvandeem is of the firm belief that every child, no matter their starting point in life, can succeed. He wishes it to be known that every young person who joins Willenhall will be given the best possible opportunities to learn, and that they will have the best people standing in front of them to motivate and inspire them to achieve whatever they want in life.

We are delighted with Mr Bhugvandeem's appointment as he brings with him a wealth of experience and expertise in raising standards and improving educational outcomes. We have every confidence that our students' achievements will continue to improve under his exceptional leadership.

Mr Bhugvandeem will be working closely with Mr Flannigan to ensure there is absolutely no disruption to our students' learning during the transition period, and he will be in contact with parents and carers directly in the coming weeks. He is very much looking forward to working with you to ensure that Willenhall develops into a centre of excellence at the heart of our community.

In the meantime, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for everything you do for our academy. With your support, we aim to continue to provide every one of our students with the quality of education they deserve.

Should you have any questions please contact the academy in the usual way.

Yours faithfully,

Matt Watling
Regional Education Director
E-ACT