



Glascote Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

A personal note from me:

I just wanted to let you know that our children have been amazing today! They came into school with smiles on their faces, looking smart in their uniforms, and eager to be in their new classes. They quietly entered the hall for assembly, sang beautifully, spoke about our values (Pride in myself, Pride in my work, Pride in my school, Pride in my community) and offered clear examples of what these statements mean. Both playtime and lunchtime have been good too. We are so proud of them and long may it last. Such a positive start to a new academic year.

A message from Mrs Hamblin (Trust CEO):

Welcome back after the summer break. I hope that you managed to rest and recuperate with your family and loved ones. If you are a new parent of a child or children joining our Fierté Family, we welcome you and hope that you all have settled in well this first week of the academic year.

I wanted to share with you some Trust news:

- The Trust and all academies have a new website which is now live. An intense amount of toil, behind the scenes, has enabled this significant piece of work to be completed in a very short space of time. We are very proud of the new site and the way that it showcases our organisation. Many thanks to all those involved. We hope as parents that you find the website very accessible and parent friendly.
- Dosthill Primary's new build is complete. The sign off has been given and our children and staff can now relish being able to work and learn in a beautiful new environment. It was worth the wait!
- Mr. Gareth Hancox, an experienced leader in our Trust, will be joining the Ankermoor Primary Academy team as their headteacher for the next academic year. We are delighted to welcome him to this role and wish him all the very best for the upcoming term.
- Our Trust Parent Forum and all Local Governing Boards are looking for committed and supportive parents to join. We would love to hear from you if you have an interest in supporting your school community further. Please contact: ceo@fierte.org
- As a Trust, we have identified that some elements of communication are impacting significantly on our staff and their work-life balance. Some issues include emails to staff late at night, over weekends or during school holidays which often have an unrealistic expectation for response times. A new Parent Communication and Email protocol, endorsed by the Trust Board, has been created. Please familiarise yourself with the content as this will be the new protocol for parents when communicating, commencing Friday 8th September 2023 and therefore, the expectation is that this is adhered to by all.
- I am delighted to share that our Trust has been awarded a brand-new Free School Presumption primary school at Amington in Tamworth. The school is expected to open to pupils in September 2024, with a team already underway securing the steps required for this to open successfully. This school, our tenth, will be named Garden Village Primary Academy.

I will continue to update you each term on any new initiatives or Trust wide information.

Wishing you a positive and successful start to the new academic year and beyond!

Warm regards,

Miss Powell