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Dear Parents and Carers

I wrote to you in April to explain the Trust Board's decision to appoint a Headteacher at Castleford Academy to work alongside myself as Executive Headteacher and Mrs Cook as Secondary Director of Education. I am writing today to share the outcome of the interview process with parents and pupils.

The interview process took place on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May and Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May. It was an extremely rigorous process, involving a range of teaching staff, support staff, governors, trustees and pupils. In addition to an array of interview tasks, throughout the two-day process, the candidates had the opportunity to get to know the academy by holding an assembly, having a pupil led tour of the school and spending time in lessons.

I am delighted to announce that Mr Wesley Bush has been successful in being appointed to the position of Headteacher for Castleford Academy. Mr Bush is an experienced Headteacher and is currently Headteacher of Featherstone Academy. As a result of working locally, Mr Bush knows Castleford Academy well and holds the academy, staff, pupils and the community in high regard. He shares both our vision and values and is absolutely committed to upholding the expectations and ambition we have of all pupils who attend the academy.

I am thrilled that he is able to take up his position at the start of the academic year in September and am very much looking forward to working with him over the next few months on his transition to Castleford Academy and over the coming years as Headteacher.

Yours faithfully

**Mr G Panayiotou**  
**Executive Headteacher**

