



28 January 2022

Dear parents and carers,

The Governing Body and Nova Education Trust are delighted to announce the appointment of Mr Chris Turner as Head Teacher of Kirk Hallam Community Academy.

Following a very demanding and competitive two-day interview process, which involved governors, staff, students and senior representatives of Nova Education Trust, it was agreed that Mr Turner exceeded our requirements in every way.

Mr Turner is currently Deputy Head Teacher at Carlton-le-Willows Academy, where he has been for the last seven years. He is passionate about supporting the emotional health and well-being of pupils and staff, and the DfE has recognised his work within his current school as a model of good practice.

Carlton-le-Willows Academy is well-known for strong pupil progress, underpinned by excellent school attendance and low rates of exclusion. As part of their successful leadership team, Mr Turner has developed their aspirational curriculum which supports the individual and broad school cohort.

Under Mr Turner's leadership, pupils and parents can expect a warm, vibrant school community, where learning will be memorable with engaging experiences for pupils to maximise their potential across a rich, knowledge-based curriculum.

Mr Turner is committed to being outward-facing and will work closely with pupils, families, staff and external agencies to ensure that our pupils' holistic needs are met.

We very much look forward to Mr Turner taking up the post of Head Teacher at Kirk Hallam Community Academy after the Easter break.

Yours sincerely,

**Ashfaq Rahman**  
Chief Executive Officer  
Nova Education Trust

**Melanie Lawson**  
Chair of Governors  
Kirk Hallam Community Academy



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Dear parents and carers,

I am delighted to be joining Kirk Hallam Community Academy as the new Head of School after the Easter break.

Kirk Hallam is a school with a rich history and excellent potential for future development.

From the moment I initially visited the school, I was struck by the enthusiasm and commitment of staff and students and I will be dedicated to making the school the true hub of the community and an exceptional place to learn.

I very much look forward to meeting with pupils, parents, staff and the local community and being able to work together to ensure our children achieve success.

Yours sincerely,

**Chris Turner**  
Head of School (Designate)