

24<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – additional INSET day**

As you are aware, Hope Academy became a member of All Saints Multi Academy Trust on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023.

As a result, we will be migrating our management information system (MIS) from SIMS to Arbor. Adopting Arbor will allow us to communicate with you more efficiently and bring all core school data and workflows into one system. Arbor will become our main communication tool with students, parents and carers and will, over time, replace Class Charts and emailed reports.

We are really looking forward to getting started with Arbor and invite you to use the link below to familiarise yourselves with how to use and set up the Arbor Parent Portal and App.

[Getting started - Log into the Parent Portal and the Arbor App](#)

You will be unable to log in to Arbor at this time, however, we will send further communication, including your welcome email and timeline for implementation, in the new year.

Arbor also offers access to many training resources which are completely free for you to make the most of! These can all be found [here](#).

To allow staff to be trained on the new system and to ensure the transition does not cause any disruption to the smooth start of the spring term Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 will be a staff training day (INSET) with students welcomed back to the Academy on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

We apologise for any disruption this may cause and thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,



**Mrs M Adams**  
**Principal**

