

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you and your family have had a wonderful start to the new academic year.

I am writing to you today to introduce myself as the new Chief Executive Officer of Extol Trust, the family of schools that your child's school is a proud member of.

It is a true privilege to be leading an organisation so dedicated to our local communities and over the past few weeks my priority has been to visit schools and speak to leaders. I have been struck by the passion of our staff and, most importantly, the incredible enthusiasm and potential of our pupils.

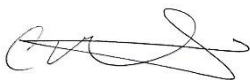
Looking ahead, my commitment to you is guided by our Trust's core values:

**Excellence, Inspiration, and Partnership.**

We will always strive for excellence, providing the highest quality of education and support to help every child achieve their very best. We believe in the power of inspiration, creating a learning environment that sparks curiosity, nurtures talent, and helps children discover a lifelong love of learning. Crucially, we know that none of this is possible without a strong partnership with you.

You are your child's first and most important educator, and we are committed to working closely with you to help them flourish. I am incredibly optimistic about what we can achieve together, and I look forward to a successful year ahead and celebrating the many achievements of our pupils with you.

With warmest wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Craig Nicholson".

Craig Nicholson  
Chief Executive Officer