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Dear Parents and Carers

Some of you will have received a leaflet last week from the National Education Union and Fair Funding For All Schools. Whilst I welcome the support of such groups in highlighting the challenges faced by many schools in the current funding climate, I feel it is important to correct and clarify a number of statements made on the leaflet.

As two Oasis academies we are looking at how we can work together and make efficiencies so that we can maintain the highest quality education for our students. Like many schools, Oasis Academy Hadley and Oasis Academy Enfield are facing significant challenges relating to the funding from central government.

One very positive development we have made over this last year is to look at how the two sixth forms can work together. This has enabled us to develop a broader range of courses for the students in both academies. As our sixth form parents will be aware, some sixth form students travel to the other academy on our minibus service. We will be continuing this approach in the coming years as it gives our students a very wide range of A level and level 3 BTEC courses and access to the best sixth form teaching and a wide range of enrichment activities.

We are committed to maintaining a wide range of courses in year 10 and 11 and have no intention for students in any other year group to travel between academies for lessons. Although the reduction in funding does mean that we have had to look at how we organise classes, our class sizes will still be below the national average class size and that of many Enfield schools.

In our drive to reduce costs we have brought together administrative support services, so as not to duplicate services.

As we plan for the future we are looking all the time at what we can do to protect classroom teaching and share the most effective practice and teaching across both academies so that all students can benefit from the best teaching.

If you would like to discuss any of the issues raised in this letter or by the leaflet, please do contact me or Zoë Thompson at Oasis Hadley or Juan Fernandez at Oasis Enfield.

Yours sincerely



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