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Dear Parents and Carers,

Appointment of Rebecca Shaw to permanent post of Headteacher

I am delighted to share that Rebecca Shaw has been appointed permanently to the post of Headteacher at Co-op Academy Failsworth. Since the 1st July Miss Shaw has been the interim Headteacher at the Academy.

Miss Shaw has been at the Academy for 13 years with many of those as a Deputy Headteacher at the Academy. Miss Shaw brings a wealth of experience and a proven track record of success. Throughout her career, she has consistently demonstrated an impressive ability to raise student achievement and has been the driving force behind improving the quality of teaching and learning at Co-op Academy Failsworth.

Miss Shaw's appointment follows her very successful period as interim Headteacher. The recruitment panel of three, which consisted of the Trust CEO, Regional Director and myself were hugely impressed by Miss Shaw's compelling vision for the future of the Academy.

Just to update you a little further, I will still continue as Executive Headteacher over Co-op Academy Failsworth and Co-op Academy Manchester. This post will allow me to support Miss Shaw in delivering her vision for the Academy over the next few years.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our students and our school community.

Phill Quirk

Executive Headteacher Co-op Academy Failsworth and Manchester

