

Friday 7th February 2025

**Ms Thorrington - summer term return from maternity leave.**

Dear parents, carers and students,

Following my return from maternity leave this summer, I will not be returning as Principal of Ipswich Academy, but will start a new part-time role across Paradigm Trust.

As part of my new part-time role I will still have the opportunity to support Samantha Torr and the school staff in driving Ipswich Academy forward, and so there will be future opportunities to see me and work with me.

Paradigm Trust has supported me throughout my time at Ipswich Academy, whether as a trainee teacher, Principal or as a returning mum to work following the birth of my first child. I am therefore delighted to announce my new role in Paradigm Trust.

It has been an absolute privilege and honour leading Ipswich Academy as Principal over the last five years. The support you have all provided me has been amazing and I am incredibly grateful for it. I am now excited to support IA in the next chapter in the school's journey of improvement.

My thanks again.

Yours sincerely,

