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Available spaces in Reception

I am writing to you in case you applied for a place in Reception for at Morley Newlands Academy for September 2021, but were unsuccessful in your application. If this is the case, I am sure this has come as a disappointment to you and your family.

I wanted to make you aware of a small number of places available in Reception at Ryecroft Academy. As part of The GORSE Academies Trust, we enjoy the same approaches to learning as those at Morley Newlands Academy. In September 2019, Ryecroft Academy was one of the first schools to be inspected under the new inspection framework and, to this point, the judgement remains one of the strongest inspection outcomes achieved by any school in the country under that framework securing a Good judgement overall with Outstanding for Leadership and Management and Outstanding for Personal Development. In addition, Ryecroft Academy has benefited from a capital investment of 1.3 million pounds. This phase included a fantastic new outdoor play area for Early Years, along with superbly designed Early Years learning spaces.

Mr McCarthy, previously the Principal at Morley Newlands Academy is now the Executive Principal at Ryecroft Academy, along with myself, Mrs Townsley the Principal. A number of the teachers who were part of the professional team when Morley Newlands Academy secured its Outstanding status now teach at Ryecroft Academy, having joined an already powerful professional team. The two schools share the same governing body.

If a place at Ryecroft Academy is potentially of interest to you, we keen to hear from you to discuss this further and answer any questions you may have. Over the past few years, we have welcomed other children from Morley Newlands into Ryecroft Academy with great success. Parents have been delighted with all aspects of our work and the children are flourishing. We would like to invite you and your child to attend a tour of the school and an information session with Mr McCarthy and myself. This will enable you to see our thriving, dynamic and inspirational school for yourself. In the meantime, please do feel very welcome to contact us by telephone on 0113 733 0129 or by email to info@ryecroft.leeds.sch.uk.

If you are interested in attending Ryecroft Academy we would work closely with yourself and your child to ensure a full induction process is in place prior to them starting in September 2021. As part of The GORSE Academies Trust, we work in close partnership with all secondary GORSE schools, including the **Outstanding and World Class** Morley Academy.

Yours sincerely



Helen Townsley
Principal