

**Dear Parents** 

We may only have been back for two days, but learning has definitely gotten underway in our Early Years and Primary classrooms. Whilst the first half of this term was quite 'bitty' with several National Holidays, we now have a solid nine weeks of uninterrupted learning and can ensure our students are supported in achieving their very best.

You will have an opportunity to come into school in the next couple of weeks for our Academic Review Evenings. Here you can meet with your child's class teacher as well as their specialist teachers. The purpose of these meetings is very much to find out how your child has settled into their new class and discuss the progress they are making in their learning so far. This is also an opportunity to find out which areas your child may need some support with or needs to develop further to enable them to make the best possible progress this year.

On the same nights as our Academic Review Evenings, we will also be distributing the iPads to our Year 5 and Year 6 students. Prior to these dates you will receive a usage agreement and policy that you will need to sign before being able to collect the iPad. Further information will be distributed to our Year 5 and Year 6 parents regarding the iPad implementation soon.

Please be aware that there will be no Weekly Curriculum Letters this week as our teachers included next week's curriculum information in the letter that was sent out before the holidays. These will resume next week.

Please also look out for our 'Welcome Back' film from Mr Scrymgeour and me which gives you an overview of some of the things we have planned for the rest of this term. We wanted to trial a different way of giving you this information rather than in written format and, if successful, we will use this as a method to provide you with useful information during the school year.

Next week I will be attending the Nord Anglia Education Senior Leadership Conference and therefore Mr Scrymgeour will be leading the Primary School. I will still be contactable by email but for immediate school related matters please contact Mr Scrymgeour. I will be back in school on Monday 19th October.

Lisa Passante Head of Primary