



Dear Parents,

As the end of the Summer Term draws to a close, we are looking forward to the opening of our school next term. In advance of the holidays, we would like to draw your attention to some important details.

### **ORIENTATION DAYS**

These will take place on Thursday 28 August and Friday 29 August. Each year group will be invited to tour the school and meet their child's new teacher as below:

Thursday 28 August	9:30 – 11:00	Year 1
Thursday 28 August	11:30 – 1:00	Year 2
Thursday 28 August	2:00 – 3:30	Year 3
Friday 29 August	9:30 – 11:00	Year 4
Friday 29 August	11:30 – 1:00	Years 5 & 6
Friday 29 August	2:00 – 3:30	Year 7

### **REPORTING TO PARENTS**

All parents will receive a "Settling-In Report" from their child's teacher during the week commencing 6 October 2014. The full reporting schedule and Parents' Evening dates will be available next term.

### **SCHOOL DAY**

The school day will start at 8am for all year groups. Pupils will have breaks at different times during the day, but will overlap so that siblings and friends in different years still mix.

Year Group	Break	Lunch
Year 1	9:45 – 10:00	11:30 – 12:15 ( 1:45 – 2:00 break)
Year 2	10:00 – 10:15	11:45 – 12:30
Years 3 - 6	10:30 – 10:45	12:15 – 1:00
Year 7	10:30 – 10:45	12:15 – 1:00

The school day will finish at 2:45pm for Primary pupils and 3:30pm for Secondary pupils. Extra-curricular activities will take place from 3pm - 4pm (for Primary) and 3:45pm - 5pm (for Secondary). There will be no additional charge for activities run by Nord Anglia International School staff.

All pupils will receive specialist teaching in the following subjects: Art, Drama, Music, Mandarin, PE and Spanish (Year 5 up). Year 7 will be taught by Specialist teachers in each subject.

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## TEACHERS AND CLASSES

Pupils will be informed of their class and teacher during the orientation sessions, but please see below for information purposes:

Class / Department	Teacher
1A	Miss J. Rowland
1B	Miss G. Johnson
1C	Mrs. K. Malone
1D	Miss H. Rogers
1E	Mrs. P. Morgan
2A	Miss J. Howard
2B	Miss A. Batiste
2C	Mr. T. Chave
2D	Mr. P. Dixon
2E	Mr. J. Oak
3A	Mrs. K. Doherty
3B	Miss E. Chamier
3C	Mr. S. Holt
3D	Miss R. Rostron
4A	Miss R. Dowding
4B	Mr. T. Ferguson
4C	Mr. T. Handley
5A	Mr. A. Branton
5B	Mr. C. Williams
5C	Miss K. O'Rourke
6A	Mr. D. Gadsby
6B	Mrs. N. Charlier
English and History	Mr. D. Robinson
Maths	Mrs. S. Reid
Spanish / MFL	Mr. A. Lopes
Music	Miss N. Rowan
Art	Mrs. S. Pate
Science	Mr. S. MacKinnon
Geography	Mr. A. Cross
ICT	Mr. D. Boyd
Drama	Miss C. Bovingdon
PE	Mr. J. Malone
PE	Mr. M. Pate
PE	Mr. D. Reid
Mandarin	Miss L. Ng
Mandarin	Miss J. Hoe
Mandarin	Miss A. Li
Mandarin	Miss C. Hung
Additional Support Needs Dept. (Including EAL)	Mr. R. Doherty
	Miss J. Henderson
	Miss M. Khalik
	Mr. D. Sheehan
	Mr. S. Calderwood
	Miss E. Vardy

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## HOUSE SYSTEM

All pupils at Nord Anglia International School, Hong Kong are members of a House which runs vertically throughout the Primary and Secondary years. Our aim is to make each House a focal point for competitions, cross-peer group support and to build an ethos that allows pupils to contribute to the success of the community and develop leadership skills.

All pupils will attend House assemblies and take part in House competitions. Our aim is to create a community that will span all year groups at the school and indeed, help with the transition from Year 6 to 7.

Our Houses are named after historic castles in the UK:

House Name	House Colour
Balmoral	Blue
Caernarfon	Green
Sandringham	Yellow
Windsor	Red

We will inform all parents and pupils of their House at the start of term.

## OCTOPUS CARDS

Thank you to all of those who have already sent in photos for the Octopus cards. As the MTR has quite strict requirements in terms of the size and resolution of the photos it will accept for the cards, we have decided it will be more efficient (and easier for our parents) for a professional photographer to take photos of all the children during their orientation sessions in August. This will facilitate the process by ensuring that we meet the MTR specifications. We will have alternative pupil registration procedures in place pending receipt of the Octopus cards from MTR.

## BUILDING PROGRESS

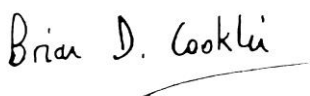
All of the classrooms and teaching facilities are looking good and will be ready for use. Each classroom has an Interactive Whiteboard, projector and age-specific resources. As you know, each class will have a maximum of 22 pupils, with a Class Teacher, Teaching and Learning Assistant and support from the Additional Support Needs Department, where appropriate.

As a result of permissions and licensing, the swimming pool will not be available for use for the first year. We are adding other facilities and resources and I will keep you informed about these developments.

I look forward to seeing you on the orientation days.

Enjoy your summer.

Best wishes,



Brian D. Cooklin  
Principal