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Dear Lady Bankes families,

We hope that you have all had a wonderful summer. Welcome back and welcome to all our new children and families who have started either in Reception or across the school. We look forward to our Nursery children starting with us next week.

We have 'Welcome Meetings' for our families taking place for all year groups starting next week. These meetings will be an opportunity for you to hear from your child's Year Group Leaders about the curriculum, expectations and what will be taking place during the year. It will also be an opportunity for you to ask any questions. The first meeting takes place for Year 6 families on Monday. The dates for the meetings have been in the school calendar since last year, but as a reminder they are as follows:

Year 6- Monday 8th September at 8.45am
Year 5- Tuesday 9th September at 8.45am
Year 4- Wednesday 10th September at 8.45am
Year 3- Thursday 11th September at 8.45am
Year 2- Friday 12th September at 8.45am
Year 1- Tuesday 16th September at 8.45am
Reception- Wednesday 17th September at 8.45am



The meeting for children who have started in Reception will include lots of information about our phonics scheme Little Wandle. We hope that as many families as possible will be able to attend these meetings and we look forward to seeing you.

As in previous years we have already booked exciting trips, workshops and visitors for the children this term that we know the children will thoroughly enjoy.

We are very much looking forward to another very successful term here at school. As I mentioned at the end of the summer term our results across the school, from Reception to Year 6, were extremely strong and testament to the hard work of the amazing children and staff here.

We welcome a number of new staff to Lady Bankes. Miss Dealey, Miss Templer and Mr Baker have joined our teaching team and have thoroughly enjoyed meeting their new classes. We have also welcomed Miss Moledina, Mr Powles and Mr S who are teaching with Mrs Neagle, Miss Seabrook and Miss McFadden this year as part of our teaching team.

Mrs John and Miss Shah have joined our support staff team working with children in Key Stage Two. Mrs Prajapat and Mrs Yevenchuk have joined our SMSA team, supporting children at lunchtime.

Can I remind families not to park in the staff car park or down the EYE driveway before or after school. Please can I urge all families to try to walk to school where possible or park in one of the neighbouring roads and walk to avoid situations like these. Thank you for your cooperation.

We often share what we are doing at school on X (Twitter) so do follow @lady_bankes if you don't already to keep up-to-date with what is happening.



Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing all the children safely back to school on Monday.

Kind regards

Mrs Needs