



Friday 7th September 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and I hope you all had a pleasant summer.

It has been lovely to have the children back in school this week and to see how excited they are for the year ahead. There has been lots of learning taking place over the last 2 days which the children have been keen to share when I have seen them around school. I am looking forward to getting to know the Ivingswood School community over the upcoming weeks.

School Uniform

Most of our children have returned to school looking very smart in their school uniform but there are a few that are not quite in the correct uniform. The details of the required uniform are on our website: <http://www.ivingswoodacademy.co.uk/uniform/>.

ALL children should be wearing the correct uniform and have the right PE kit. Remember that children should wear black school shoes (not trainers). Children with long hair need to have it tied up for school. If your child does wear earrings, they should be small sleepers and be removed for PE. If they have recently pierced ears, please ensure your child has some tape which they can put over their earrings for PE so that the earrings don't catch on anything and cause an injury.

Year 6 Selection Test and Secondary School Selection

Next week, our year 6 pupils will sit their selection tests. They will sit a practise test on Tuesday 11th September and the final test on Thursday 13th September. If you do not wish your child to sit the test, please make sure that you have informed us beforehand.

Parents of pupils in Year 6 will also have received a letter today with information on applying for your child's secondary school place. Please note, this must be completed by **OCTOBER 31st 2108**.

Celebration Assembly

Our weekly celebration of pupil achievement will begin next Friday, 14th September. Please join us each week from 2.30pm to celebrate our wonderful pupils.

Key Dates

Some important upcoming dates:

Friday 14th September: Meet the Headteacher

I would like to invite you to join me from 1.45pm until 2.25pm next Friday to come and hear my thoughts and vision for Ivingswood Academy. Our Celebration Assembly will follow on from this.

Wednesday 19th September: Meet the Teacher drop-in

Please feel free to drop in to your child's class between 3.10pm and 3.40pm to say hello and see where your child will be learning this term.

Friday 28th September: Macmillan Coffee Morning

More details to follow but please join us for coffee and cake to raise money for a great cause.

Monday 24th September: After School Clubs begin

Look out for more information regarding clubs that your child can sign up to join after school.

It has been a short but busy week to start the year and I look forward to updating you with all the amazing learning taking place each week. If you do have any questions or concerns about your child's learning, please do not hesitate to speak to their class teacher in the first instance. You are also welcome to make appointments with me via Mrs Seal in the school office.

Kind regards,

Julie-Ann Swaysland

Headteacher