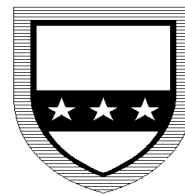


Poulton Lancelyn Primary School



Dear Parents,

5th September 2017

I am delighted to write to you as the new Headteacher of Poulton Lancelyn Primary School.

Having had the opportunity to visit on several occasions last term, I found it to be a thoroughly warm, inviting and engaging learning environment. The staff have returned refreshed, your children have returned eagerly from the Summer break and I have been warmly welcomed by all of them today. I feel honoured and privileged to be joining you in this thriving community.

My personal philosophy of education and leadership is child-centred, with a team approach at the heart of what we do and every decision that is made. As a parent of 2 children, as a teacher of 20 years and a Deputy Head of 7 years, I understand that a happy and successful school depends upon us working together as a team. I believe that every child's education should be engaging, enriching and enjoyable to enable them to discover their strengths and develop to their full potential academically, creatively and socially. Positive working relationships between school and home are vital to achieving this. I am hugely excited about the many achievements that I believe we will achieve as a team to ensure that Poulton Lancelyn Primary School will continue to go from strength to strength.

I very much look forward to meeting you more fully at the forthcoming Learning Links meetings. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to get in touch via the school office if you have any queries, concerns or there is anything we can do to help support you with your child's learning and school life.

Finally, I would like to thank you in advance for the support and commitment that you will give to the school and your child's education during this academic year.

Learning Links meetings for **Years 1 to 5** will be held on **Wednesday 13th September**. Class teachers will be delivering presentations containing important information regarding the year ahead. These meetings have proved hugely popular in the past and are an opportunity to meet your child's new teacher. We will repeat the sessions three times. Meetings are held in your child's classroom. Timings are as follows:

3:40pm - 4:00pm

4:00pm - 4:20pm

4:20pm - 4:40pm

Year 6 will hold their Learning Links meeting on Wednesday 20th September at 4:15pm in the main hall. During this meeting we will also explain Secondary Transfer procedures.

Foundation 2 will be holding a welcome meeting for parents on Reading/Phonics on Wednesday 20th September at 3:40pm in the main hall.

Dates for your Diaries

- 18th September - 11+ Tests
- 27th September - Parents Association AGM 6:00pm
- 3rd October - New Parents September 2018 Foundation 2 meeting
- 11th October - Individual Photographs
- 17th & 18th October - Year 5 Cycle Training starts
- 31st October - Year 6 Residential Meeting for Parents 5:45pm
- 7th November - Parents Evenings - 3:50pm - 7:00pm
- 8th November - Parents Evenings - 3:50pm - 6:00pm

More dates and further details will be provided nearer the time for all of the above events. Please check our website for regular news updates, diary dates and copies of letters. I look forward to seeing you over the coming months.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Arnold
Headteacher