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Bromsgrove Update

We were delighted to see so many parents at our Press Conference and Parent Information Morning last week. Your presence, questions and feedback demonstrated your exceptional levels of support and we would like to thank you for your engagement.

Principal Anna had her first regular video conference with the Headmaster and Bromsgrove Board Members yesterday and plans are already being established for support networks and curriculum development.

Dates

3-7/10: Golden Week Holiday

10/10: School Recommences

27/10: Settling In Reports Due

28/10: Non-student Day (Staff Professional Development)

31/10: Halloween Celebration

4/11: Parent-Teacher 2-Way

Conference



ASAs off to a flying start!

We have been delighted with the first week of After School Activities this year. A wide range of courses are being offered for our students including Martial Arts, Latin Dance, Football, Golf and Interactive English Courses, to name but a few.

Students have impressed us in the way in which they have managed this new routine, following instructions and listening well to their new ASA teachers.

We are grateful to all those parents who are offering their support by following instructions for pick up times, as shared on WeChat, and who are encouraging their child to develop the skills of perseverance and dedication by remaining committed to the ASA they have chosen. It is by modeling such attitudes and expectations that we can best help our students to feel secure and thrive. Here's to a great Term of ASAs!







Parent Coffee Morning

Thanks to all parents who have joined us for our first information coffee mornings so far, including 'What to expect in the first weeks of school' and 'An Introduction to Bromsgrove - Q&A'.

Our focus for the next meeting will be on parent feedback. Our Class Parents will be getting in touch with you all to ask two key questions:

- 1) What would you like to learn more about regarding the school curriculum?
- 2) What questions or suggestions do you have about school life and operations?

We will collate these responses and use them to structure some discussions with parents to plan future information sessions and workshops, as well as offer feedback to questions and suggestions raised.

Dates: Oct. 13rd, Thursday

Time: 8:45-10:00am

Focus: Parent Feedback

Location: Atrium

Please note that, as usual, this is to be regarded as an open-meeting in which respectful communication is upheld. Responses will be offered to general ideas and inquiries pertaining to the school and curriculum as a whole but not individual cases or issues. For any such comments, please email the relevant staff member directly. Thanks.

Uniform

As was mentioned at our Bromsgrove School Mission Hills Coffee Morning last week, we will be aligning with various elements of our new partner school in the months and years to come, while still retaining our own individuality and context.

One such change will relate to school uniforms. We have deliberated over the best way to move forward with this change and would like to share next steps with you at this time:

- Current uniform styles and suppliers will be used throughout this academic year, so MHIS logos will remain in use and formal and PE uniform pieces for summer and winter will be unchanged
- From August 2017 we plan to have our updated Bromsgrove School Mission Hills uniform on sale for Pre School and Prep School students
- The Bromsgrove School Mission Hills uniform will sport our updated BMH logo and the style will align generally to Bromsgrove School (UK) with some minor alterations for our context.
- Based on parent feedback from last year, we updated the uniforms this year including minor amendments to the girls summer dress, boys winter shirt material, as well as the summer PE uniform supplier.
- Please note that the supplier for our winter uniforms will remain the same as last year as a change in supplier would dramatically have altered the price of uniforms. We will require all students to wear the updated uniform next year. As such, being mindful of parental costs, we will keep uniform the same as last year for all students at this time.

