



Chandag Junior School
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Welcome back to Chandag Junior School!

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Welcome back to a new and exciting school year and I hope you and your family enjoyed a lovely summer break together.

Our first full newsletter will be next Friday, but I wanted to briefly update you at the end of this short week.

Every child has returned to school refreshed, confident and positive. They have impressed the staff and, as expected, they are wonderfully smart and polite! The children have shown they are full of potential again and every member of our wonderful staff is looking forward to working with the children this year and helping to bring out the very best in them. Thank you very much for preparing the children so well for school this week.

I want to offer a **very warm welcome to our new families** right across the school. Many of our new arrivals are in Year 3 and they are truly delightful! I visited Pod 3 again this afternoon and **Maia, Sophie and Layla** told me *"We have really enjoyed maths learning!"* **Callum's** favourite this week was *"Writing!"*, painting the caterpillars was top of the list for **Bea** (who loves art), **Harvey** confidently told me he has really enjoyed assemblies, and **Florrie** said with a smile *"I've enjoyed being with the teachers!"* (I bet the feeling is mutual).

The new children have also settled well into their lunch routines helped at the start of the week by their super 'buddies' who taught them the new routines. What a team! I'm pleased to say that when I asked the children if they would like to come back next week they all said yes. Great

news! What a lovely group (or Pod as we call them); I'm sure they will flourish at our school and I look forward to seeing them involved in every area of their exciting and practical learning this term.

We have **new members of staff** to introduce fully in the first newsletter next week, so we'll hear more from **Miss Evans** and **Mrs Newman** next Friday; in the meantime we know they have started confidently and we wish them well as part of our super team.

So, next week we will give you a comprehensive list of dates for the Autumn term but in the meantime one important date for your diaries is the **'Meet the Teachers'** evenings where you will learn about the year group curriculum, structures and expectations from the teachers in your child's pod. Here are the dates:

Tuesday 18 th September	Meet the teachers Pods 3 & 4 at 5pm (approx 30m)
Thursday 20 th September	Meet the teachers Pods 5 & 6 at 5pm (approx 30m)

With your help, we will continue to make our School an exceptional learning environment where every child flourishes. I'm looking forward once again to an exciting and productive year of learning.

Regards,

Mr Tim Dunning
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