



Friday 7th September 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new school year. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new families that have joined us in reception and any other families that have joined us from other schools. I am looking forward to the coming year where we can, as three schools, truly collaborate and support each other to ensure the very best for all our children. All three schools came together on Monday 3rd Sept to reflect on our successes last year, discuss how the FHP vision is visible within each of our schools and to share our experiences of classroom teaching. We have regular staff meetings and INSET days planned to all come together throughout the year to continue the vision to be **stronger together**.

As always we have an action packed first half term as you will have seen from the diary dates that went out in the summer. They are also available from the office, displayed in schools and will be on our websites.

Last year I offered the parents of Kirkstead the opportunity to meet with me through a **parent forum** throughout the year. It helped me to see what already works well and how we can make further improvements. This year I am extending this to the infants and am looking forward to meeting as many of you that can make it.

The dates of the meetings are as follows –

Longwood site – 24th Sept 9am in the school hall

Kirkstead site – 24th Sept 2.30pm in the small hall

John King site – 26th Sept 2.45pm (dependent on numbers in the staff room or a classroom)

If you are unable to attend the meeting, then please feel free to email me through the school office (info@johnking.derbyshire.sch.uk) or send me a letter with your views on what you think has gone well and what you feel could improve.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the dates above.

Yours sincerely

Jan Pierce
(Executive Headteacher)