



*Learning together, growing together*

**Dorin Park School and Specialist SEN College**

Monday, 06 September 2021

## **Start of Term Welcome Letter**

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome to a new school year to our new pupils and families, and to all our school community. It was wonderful to see all our smart, eager pupils coming into school this morning, sharing their summer holiday experiences and keen to see their friends.

Although Coronavirus is still very much with us and causing significant disruption, we are all looking forward to a year of new opportunities and experiences, and to getting back to community visits and wider curriculum opportunities.

Knowing that parents would like as much information as possible about their child's progress and experiences in school, and to maintain the great relationships we have with families, the following communication opportunities are available:

- We will send you photo and video evidence of your child's learning through Evidence for Learning. You can receive an email alert each time evidence is added to your child's learning journey using this software. You can also add your own photos and videos to share events with the class team. If you are not currently using this please let us know via [parentcomms@dorinpark.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:parentcomms@dorinpark.cheshire.sch.uk).
- We will send you regular emails and texts about events and information you need to know.
- Information about the curriculum, policies, uniform and lots of other information is on our website <https://www.dorinpark.co.uk>
- In November, March and June you will receive your child's updated SEND Profile, which details your child's strengths, needs, provision and outcomes.
- Each year you will have an EHCP review with a member of the Leadership Team.
- In November and March you will be offered a parents evening appointment with your child's class/subject teacher/s.
- You will receive an annual school report for your child in June.
- You can use Parentcomms ([parentcomms@dorinpark.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:parentcomms@dorinpark.cheshire.sch.uk)) to email in to school.
- You can request additional meetings via phone/Teams/face-to-face with e.g. class teachers, senior leaders, family support worker, catering or behaviour team.
- If you need to speak directly to your child's class teacher, please phone school between 8.30-9 & 3.30-4. If you phone the office during the school day, one of our admin team will take a message and the class teacher will return your call as soon as they can.
- Maxine Nevitt, our family liaison officer is available throughout the day to answer any queries you may have.
- Your child's class teacher will communicate with you regularly via email or daily diary book/sheets. The amount and frequency of communication varies depending on the age, stage and needs of each child, and if you need something specific recording for your child, please talk to the class team. Please be aware that the more time staff spend writing daily diaries/sheets etc., the less time they have to spend supporting your child, so they are unable to list everything that happens in each day.

As always, my door and my emails are open and you are very welcome to get in touch whenever you need to.

Yours sincerely,

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