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Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a fantastic start to this academic year, our students have returned with big smiles on their faces ready to begin their new, exciting year.

I would like to take this opportunity in highlighting a couple of areas in which the school would benefit from your support. Firstly, parking around the school is difficult as we don't have a designated drop off/pick up point. I kindly ask therefore that we all work together to be sensitive to our neighbours and local residents and not use Hambeldon View to wait or drop off or Byron Street as these places are incredibly difficult to get cars up and down and they are causing significant risk to our students wellbeing and safety.

We are now opening the gate that leads onto Kiddrow Lane, meaning that students who live in that direction from school can walk along the path from Kiddrow Lane up to school (see attached map). This is quite safe and there is a path that leads straight up to the school playground. Kiddrow Lane at this point is also very quiet in the morning with very few parked cars, so my recommendation, if you drop your child off, would be to try using this entrance which would also help to alleviate our parking concerns.

A couple of dates worth noting for this half term (see attached calendar). Firstly, we have our open morning on the 23rd September (Saturday) 10am – 1pm. Our open morning is welcome to all; it is going to be extra special this year as we are holding it in our brand new building for the very first time.

Secondly, we are holding a training session around our assessment procedures on the 4th October 6.00-6.30pm. Our assessment system is bespoke to BHS. Therefore, this is a prime opportunity to learn about our systems and pose questions to our Deputy Headteacher Mr Walmsley.

Lastly, the school is closed for a staff training day on the 27th October (Friday) and then the following week for October half term.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate in contacting the school. In order to assist with any questions or enquiries allow me to take the opportunity to signpost some key members of staff on the attached document.

Whilst we do our best to communicate with parents in a timely manner and answer enquiries and concerns as they arise as soon as we possibly can, being a smaller school this sometimes isn't possible. We have a lot of enquiries on our Facebook page, whilst social media is a fantastic tool, it is difficult for staff to keep up with enquiries that occur during the evening. Therefore, I would ask that any concerns are passed on via the telephone to the necessary person, that way ensuring that your enquiry gets dealt with properly by the correct people.

Thank you for your continuing support and I look forward to welcoming you to school to one of our up and coming events.

Best Wishes

Miss V J Povey Headteacher