

# William Brookes School

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Dear Parents and Carers

This is an exciting time for your children to be joining William Brookes School, as we move into our new school buildings and begin using many of our external sports and recreation facilities too. The external works will be completed during the autumn term with final completion due for the start of 2011.

Your support as parents and carers is one of the most important influences on the future success of your children. All the staff and I will do our very best to ensure that our school aims are achieved and that your children will continue to grow as confident and successful learners, building on their achievements from primary school.

This guide tells you about our policies and procedures and also about all those useful details that will help day-to-day life at William Brookes School go smoothly.

Success comes in many ways and I do hope you will encourage your children to take full advantage of all that we offer - it is not only the academic work that is important but also a wide range of other activities, clubs, visits and more. Our new school offers increased opportunities and we hope that all our students will join in with as much as possible. As we are a Performing Arts College and a 'Coubertin School', the arts and sports play a special role here for all our students, whatever their ability and interests.

We ask you to support us fully in the important matters of discipline, attendance, uniform and homework. During the first term we shall be sharing with you our targets for your children. Our standards are high and our partnership with you helps us to achieve them. Please take an interest in your children's work and note the dates of consultation evenings arranged to discuss individual progress and achievement, including the target setting day.

Your children's student planner will include a copy of our Home School Agreement, which you will have already received, signed and returned, along with your up to date contact details. It is important that you discuss this Agreement fully with your children.

Your children's tutor will normally be the first point of contact for any concerns but should you wish to discuss any issues with their House Leader, with me or with other senior staff please contact Reception between 08.00 and 16.30 (16.00 on Fridays) in order to make a mutually convenient appointment.

For our new Year 7 students the autumn term begins on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September and they should meet in the main Hall on arrival. I look forward to welcoming them and I hope they will be happy with us and as proud of their new school as I am.



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