



## Principal's eNews

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Dear Parents,

We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school next week and continuing the positive learning experiences and opportunities that started in the first half term.

We start immediately by welcoming parents for the Parent Conferences on Monday, 30th and Tuesday, 31st October. It is the perfect time for the teachers to let you know how your child has settled into the new school year, what they are doing well and where they may need some support or focus. For older children, encourage you to have your child with you when talking to the teacher; it can be beneficial for them to hear what is being said, and they can understand and share their opinions.

### Term 1 Settling in Reports

Unlike previous years, reports will be sent out after you have met the teacher. Also, there has been some simplifying of the report, which includes sharing information about how we assess and monitor how well your child approaches learning. We call this Attitudes to Learning, and the areas covered vary depending on the age of your child. For Younger children, we evaluate playing and exploring, creating and thinking, and active learning. For older children, the focus is on effort, collaboration, active involvement and independence as well as organisation.

Each of these areas is assessed using the following descriptions to show where your child is compared to the level for their age: support needed, working towards, at or above expected. The teacher will discuss these with you.

### Principal's Update

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who reached out over the past few weeks to express their support and concern for my well-being. I am pleased to report that I have started treatment, and the initial results are positive, as I am responding well to the medication.

### Key Dates

To help you know when key events happen at school, you will receive class-specific information through Class Teacher's Friday Update and **AUDIRI**. We have also created [Key Dates T1 2023/24](#), which state when essential events will occur during the term. In addition, you can also visit the website and link your calendars to our [Parent Calendar](#).

30th October - 3rd November	ASA Pause	
30th October	Nur - Y8 Parent Teacher Meeting	3.15 pm
31st October	Nur - Y8 Parent Teacher Meeting	3.15 pm
1st November	T1 Reports to Parents	
10th November	Deepavali Celebrations	
<a href="#">12th - 13th November</a>	<a href="#">PH   Deepavali</a>	<a href="#">(School Closed)</a>
14th - 17th November	Anti-Bullying Week	
17th November	Colourful and Cool Costume Celebration	5.00 pm

Enjoy the Weekend,  
Martin Towse