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Dear Parents and Guardians

It has been a wonderful first week back at school for our new academic year 2018/19 and it was fantastic to see our students, parents and staff on and around campus. The Board of Governors have continued to invest in our campus facilities and learning spaces on both campuses over the summer break. As Headmaster, my focus has always been on ensuring our students get the very best learning experiences in and outside of the classrooms and to ensure that our campus facilities enable this to happen. Our new teachers, TAs and new boarding staff members have now settled into Bromsgrove life and are looking forward to the year ahead - if you are on campus please do say hello to the various new members of staff.

Boarding Update

In Boarding, we welcomed 136 students into the houses on Sunday afternoon – the highest ever number of boarders in our school's 15-year history! This rapid growth is testament to our high quality boarding provision and personalised care of all our boarders and is one of the main reasons we continue to attract students from other boarding schools in both Bangkok and the wider ASEAN region. Being a boarder is a very enriching experience and if your child is currently a day student with us and they wish to experience what boarding is like, please contact Ms. Drew, Head of Boarding at gdrew@bromsgrove.ac.th to book your child in for a night of flexi-boarding in the boarding house.

New WP Campus Parent Liaison

As I informed parents in my June Headmaster's letter, the role of Parent Liaison will now be undertaken by K. Ann, our new Academic Services Supervisor in the SIC on WP Campus. She can be contacted on pjennifer@bromsgrove.ac.th

Water Bottles and Hats

Can I please remind parents and guardians that we expect all students is to bring a water bottle to campus every day, as staying hydrated is essential for a healthy brain and body. We also require all Primary students to wear BIST cap whenever they are outside and encourage our Secondary students to also do the same for their own wellbeing.

Swimming Pool on WP Campus

Due to an unavoidable delay in the refurbishment of the swimming pool on WP Campus, swimming lessons will recommence in Week 3 (Monday 10 September onward).



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New Student Medical Forms

In order to ensure the wellbeing of your child whilst they are under our care, it is vital we have accurate and up-to-date medical information and emergency contact details for parents, guardians and other family members. Therefore, I attach with this letter the new Student Medical Form that needs to be completed and returned to school for ALL students from PN through to Year 13.

Please complete, sign and return to the K Bow in the school office on the Early Years Campus, to K. Ann or K. Jamm in the SIC Office on the WP Campus, or to Ms. Drew, Head of Boarding, if your child is a boarder. All medical forms need to be returned by Friday 7 September 2018.

Outstanding School Fees

Please ensure any outstanding school fees for your child are settled as soon as possible to avoid late payment charges being applied. Please use the payment channels outlined on the school website to settle all invoices or contact the finance office directly.

WP Campus Student ID/Library Card

I am delighted to announce that the new Student ID/Library Cards for all WP Campus students will be issued over the next week, via form tutors in Secondary School and via Class Teachers in the Primary School. Please note that the bar code on the BACK of the ID card is your child's unique payment bar code, that you can use to pay your child's school invoices directly through your banking app. If your child loses this ID card, they will be charged THB100 for a replacement card (please see K. Pinky on the reception area for a replacement).

Parent ID Cards

If you are a new parent (or if you are an existing parent but have lost your card) please ensure you visit the School Office on either campus to process and collect your Parent ID card. You need to wear this ID card if you wish to come onto either school campus.

Driving Speed on WP Campus

Please can I remind all parents and drivers that our on-campus speed limit is 10KM per hour. We still have a small number of parents and drivers driving too fast on campus, especially down the road linking the car park and the boarding houses. To ensure the safety of everyone on campus, please do respect this speed limit.



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Academies on WP Campus

All the additional after ECA academies will commence Week 4 of Term 1. This term, we will have swimming academy, basketball academy, music academy and Mandarin lessons from Monday to Friday on WP Campus. In addition, we plan to re-launch our football academy in the second half of Term 1 which will cater for a wide range of age groups. More details will follow about these academies next week.

ECAs

Our extensive ECA programme for Term 1 starts next week and once again the diverse range of enrichment opportunities available for our students is fantastic to see. Please do encourage your child to try something new or different from last academic year if an opportunity is there – a wide range of enrichment experiences is essential for a child's continuing growth, physical and mental development.

Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The first Term 1 PTA Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place on both campuses over the next two weeks. The Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) is a social and welcoming organisation that promotes and encourages interaction between parents, teachers and the school community. There is a PTA on both our Early Years and Windsor Park campuses. The two main functions of the PTA are to support the school in its various events throughout the year and to also help with fundraising for three school 'house charities'. All BIST parents and guardians have automatic membership of the PTA. We have a separate PTA on each campus.

The first PTA meeting of the new academic year, the Annual General Meeting (AGM), will take place on:

- EY Campus – Tuesday 4 September 08:30 in the conference room
- WP Campus – Tuesday 11 September 08:30 in the PAC Foyer

During this AGM meeting the PTA Committee members will be elected for this academic year, including the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary. All existing PTA committee members can stand for re-election and all parents with a child at BIST are also entitled to stand for election at the AGM.



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In addition to the elected committee, each class/tutor group can have two parent representatives, who although are not committee members, can attend most PTA meetings as class representatives. You are the voice of the whole class and will be asked by the PTA committee to help with some school events and fundraising activities.

Please do attend next week's PTA meetings if you wish to get more involved this year.

I look forward to seeing many of you around campus over the coming weeks.

Warmest Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dan Moore'.

Dr Dan Moore
Headmaster & CEO
Bromsgrove International School