

# Newsletter 3 - May 2023



#### Dear Parents/Carers

I hope this term has been an enjoyable and successful one and that all our prospective students are looking forward to their final term in primary school. We have now visited many of our feeder schools and I have been incredibly impressed with the many insightful questions asked and the buzz of excitement in every school.

We are now rapidly approaching our transition day and I look forward to welcoming our first cohort to Wye School on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June.

# **Reminder of Key Dates**

Date	Time	Event	Location
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	09:00-14:30	Transition Day	Wye School
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	14:30-15:00	Parent and Carer Welcome Event 1	Wye School
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	15:30-16:30	Parent and Carer Welcome Event 2	Chilmington Green School
			<ul><li>Jemmett Road</li></ul>
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>		Start of Term	Chilmington Green School
September			<ul><li>Jemmett Road</li></ul>

## **Update on Buildings**

Our temporary home on Jemmett Road is rapidly approaching completion. New carpets and flooring have been laid throughout the school and we are awaiting our furniture delivery which is due over the coming weeks. New toilets and showering facilities have been installed and our changing rooms have been completely renewed. The technology team are currently busy on-site installing our state-of-the-art IT facilities in all classrooms and teaching spaces.

Below you can see images of our new toilets, newly refurbished changing rooms, our school hall with new flooring and some outside views with new paintwork.

The building looks fantastic and will be an excellent first home for our school.







Wishing you all an enjoyable bank holiday weekend and a lovely half term break.

Kind regards,

Jon Rutland

Principal Chilmington Green School

## Introducing the Chilmington Green School Community: Meet our SENCo, Ms McCorriston.

The next member of our staff to introduce is our SENCo, Ms McCorriston. Here she outlines her experience and how she will be supporting our students.

#### **About Me**

After completing my teacher training in Liverpool, I have enjoyed teaching in a number of different schools across Kent. I began my teaching career in 2000 at Hildenborough Primary School and have subsequently held teaching roles at both Sheldwich Primary School and Kings Hill Primary School. Throughout this time, I have gained considerable experience in the field of special education needs and disabilities (SEND).



I joined Wye School in 2019 as a Student Support Assistant. A significant part of my role was to guide students with varying needs throughout their transition to secondary

school and support them in accessing and enjoying the full school curriculum. Having seen the significant impact that can be had on individuals through these roles, I sought to deepen my understanding and knowledge of SEN. I therefore undertook the SENDCo qualification whilst at Wye School and have held the role of SENCo since 2020. Part of my current role involves coordinating a team of Student Support Assistants who work closely with students with additional needs to ensure that they are well supported to fully access the curriculum and opportunities offered within school.

I have been working with the Chilmington Green School since September 2022 and have been designing the school's SEN provision. From September, I will lead a newly formed team of Student Support Assistants to support individuals to make exceptional progress and achieve their potential.

#### **Commitment to SEND**

I believe in an inclusive education for all students and work with teachers and the wider staff team to ensure that all students receive Quality First Teaching alongside the Mainstream Core Standards, regularly providing training and updates to teachers and support staff. I am responsible for putting in place intervention and support packages to support students both academically and pastorally. Part of my role involves working closely with the Senior Leadership Team to monitor pupil progress and to provide tailored and personalised support where necessary.

Having worked with both primary and secondary students, I have extensive experience and knowledge of the transition process and how best to support and prepare vulnerable pupils and their families during this time in their school journey. If I can offer any support or guidance through the transition process, please do get in touch at <a href="Lydia.mccorriston@chilmingtongreenschool.org.uk">Lydia.mccorriston@chilmingtongreenschool.org.uk</a>

I am looking forward to working with the whole community of Chilmington Green School to deliver an aspirational and inclusive curriculum.