



## Pondhu Primary School

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# NEWSLETTER

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## Welcome Back!

It has been such a pleasure to welcome everyone back to school this week. The school has been filled with smiles, laughter and lots of learning. I would like say a huge thank you to all the staff for their hard work over the summer and this week to ensure the children had a happy and successful return.

The children have been absolute superstars! They have settled well and I know they are in for a fabulous year. You should be incredibly proud of them – I know we are.

I would also like to thank all of you! You have been supportive and kind in your words as I take on the role as Acting Head of Pondhu. I look forward to working with you all this term.

## Star Learners

In assembly today, we heard about hardworking pupils, already showing us what they are capable of. We talk often in school about the right to an education and the right to be the best that you can be and our Star Learners this week have certainly exemplified that. Congratulations to Connor, Kayden, Elaina, Stephen, Alex, Gwithyen and Archie.

## Communication

Pondhu School thrives when we work together to achieve the best possible outcomes for all the children. A huge part of that is about communication between home and school. I hope that we can continue to build on the systems that are already in place so that we are able to have open and honest communication. I cannot promise that we will always get it right (and there has already been the odd small communication hiccup this week) but we will always keep trying to improve things and our efforts will always come from a desire to achieve positive outcomes for our pupils. In this respect, I would ask that you always contact us directly with any concerns. If we don't know about it, we can't work together to change it. Equally, I would welcome any ideas and suggestions for things you think will help make Pondhu the very best school it can be. Please use my email address, ring to make an appointment or catch up with me at the gate.

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## DIARY DATES

### September

20<sup>th</sup> Individual photos

### October

18<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> Half term

### November

1<sup>st</sup> Back to school

### December

15<sup>th</sup> Christmas Lunch

17<sup>th</sup> Last day of term

### January

4<sup>th</sup> Return to school

### February

18<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> Half term

### March

### April

8<sup>th</sup> Last day of term

25<sup>th</sup> Return to school

### May

2<sup>nd</sup> Bank holiday

30<sup>th</sup> Half term starts

### June

6<sup>th</sup> Jubilee bank holiday

7<sup>th</sup> Back to school

### July

26<sup>th</sup> Last day of term

*Please keep double checking the diary dates as they do sometimes need to be changed*