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Headteacher Dr Jane Tinker BSc MA(Ed) EdD NPQH

Dear Parent / Guardian

I am writing this letter to say Welcome Back to the new school year and a special welcome to any parents who are new to the school. I am delighted to say that the year has started well and with purpose and we are already very busy and settled – I would like to say a very big thank you to parents and students for your support with this.

As many of you know I have been at The Corbet School since September 2012 as Deputy Headteacher and knowing the school well I am settling quickly into my exciting new role. I am very proud of the students and staff at The Corbet School as we all work together very well in our happy community to ensure that all students can learn well and do their best. I was delighted with the exam results in the summer and Year 11 2019 should be very proud of their achievements. The Corbet standard remains high and I am confident that our excellent current Year 11 will rise to the challenge to maintain it. Year 11 are currently finding out about opportunities available to them post 16 and over the next few weeks college Open Evenings and information events will be in full swing. We will communicate all of this important information to the students and please look at the website and Facebook page for any key dates and updates. Our own Careers Fair will be Wednesday 16th October 2019 6.00-8.00pm. Careers Interviews are also available to the Year 11 students and they can contact Mrs Smith if they would like one. Mrs Smith's email address is nicola.smith4@corbetschool.net, if parents would like to request an interview for their child. Please do use the Admin email address, admin@corbetschool.net, to get in touch with your child's tutor.

As Headteacher, I have an unshakeable belief in the potential of all of our students and I am determined that they will have the very best learning experiences and wider opportunities whilst they are with us at school. The whole child, as an individual, is important to me and working in partnership with parents to support them to reach their potential academically and develop the skills and resilience to lead happy and fulfilling lives is what we are about. I believe that all we can ever do is our best and that is what I expect of the students, staff and myself; to give of our best and stay positive. I also believe that it is important to develop resilience to maintain physical and mental wellbeing and we will work on this with the students too.

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If you have any concerns about your child that you would like to share with us I have detailed some useful email addresses below:

<u>admin@corbetschool.net</u>
<u>pastoral@corbetschool.net</u>

pupilabsence@corbetschool.net (direct line 01939 262004)

Our ICT upgrade is going well and as we develop the potential of this, hope to see real benefits for the learning of the students as the year progresses. In the future the students will have access to all of their documents at home and through the school website will be able to access wider aspects of the curriculum and the applications we use at school e.g. Show My Homework. I am hoping that this will be more reflective of a modern way of working and support our students in their learning.

Just a little reminder that all visitors to the school must access the school through Reception and sign into school. Any parents that wish to meet their children at 3.20pm can wait at the gate at the top of the bus turn.

I would like to finish this letter with a final thank you and a plea – as parents your support is invaluable to us but I would like to ask if anyone is able to give a little bit more and join the very friendly and successful Corbet Friends Association. The CFA do fantastic work to raise funds for the school to support us to buy things that we might not be able to afford due to cuts in school funding. They are raising funds to replace the kiln in Art, our clay work really is fantastic, and to support our Wellbeing Wednesday and Feel Good Friday initiatives. They meet approximately 6 times a year at the school and organise the very successful Christmas and Easter Bingo, annual quiz and are always on the teas, coffees and biscuits at our many events. They will struggle to keep going if we do not get any new members and in whatever capacity and however much time you have, I know that they would appreciate your help. For Year 7 parents, representatives will be available to talk to at the Year 7 Tutor Evening on Tuesday 15th October between 2.30-5.00pm. Please do talk to them if you feel you can get involved the AGM will be Tuesday 22nd October 2019 at 7.30pm.

With very best wishes and I look forward to seeing you as we move through this very busy term.

Yours sincerely

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