



# Ivy Lane School

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## Welcome from your new Head of School - Mrs Lammin



Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to be writing to you as the newly appointed Headteacher of Ivy Lane School. I feel extremely honoured and privileged to have been chosen to continue and build upon the success the school has already achieved. I am taking this opportunity to introduce myself to you all. It is important that I build strong relationship with children, staff, parents/guardians, governors and understand what is needed to take the school forward in this new era of education and also further into our second year as part of the Pickwick Academy Trust.

My vision for the school is to ensure that the needs of all our children are met in all areas of school life and that each child is given a wealth of experience and opportunities. This in turn, will guarantee they leave Ivy Lane at the end of Year 6, feeling extremely confident, responsible and competent members of society, ready for their Secondary School journey.

I believe that school should be a happy, caring, respectful and hardworking environment, in which all staff should utilise their skills to enable the children in their care, to recognise their true potential and talents. Developing growth mind-sets, building resilience, taking risks and understanding how we learn from making fabulous mistakes is so important. As a community school, we should endeavour to celebrate the successes of our children in all areas of school life. We can do this by showing them that we believe in them, respect them and are proud of them.

The new term has got off to a good start and I have had the opportunity to meet all the children in assembly today and visit every class. Our TD day yesterday allowed the staff to spend time together exploring the strengths of our school and development areas for the future. Throughout the course of the next few weeks, I will be familiarising myself with the systems/structures at Ivy Lane and spending time in the classrooms as much as possible.

As key educators in your children's lives, I feel that it is important that you feel you have a voice and that as a school we are approachable and allocate time to listen to your concerns, worries or thoughts about the school. You will find me on the gate most mornings, so please do come and say hello and introduce yourself. I will be holding parent forums over the next term, in which, parents/guardians can chat to both myself and the senior leadership team to express opinions on what the school is doing well and/or any areas that may need addressing. If you prefer, you are also welcome to contact me by email or phone.



You can be assured that as Headteacher, I will strive to create the best education for your child/children whilst they are members of our school Ivy Lane family. This school is a very special place to be; I am excited and thrilled to have the opportunity to be part of that. I look forward to watching your children grow in confidence, knowledge and skills during their time here and will thank you in advance for the support I know you will give all members of our school community, in the years to come.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Helen Lammin  
Head of School

