



## Welcome back from Mr Meehan

IT is wonderful to be working with Mr Austin, Ms Beacham and the whole Ashford leadership team over this year (pictured right), as we start out again together. I hope you and your families have had a great summer and no doubt are ready for a bit of routine to start again!

If the start to the year seems a bit fast-paced, then this is because this is how we are designing it... We want each of your children to ***“aspire, with God’s help, to be the best that they can be”*** and that means making the most of each school day, enjoying learning and rising to the challenge. In worship, as we begin our new iShare Learning theme of ‘Living on Purpose’, we have been talking with the children about goals and aspirations for our school and for their own individual lives.



We will be continuing to focus over this whole year on **high attendance** and, equally on **high achievement**. Congratulations to **Year 2** who are the winners of our first **Mufti Monday on Monday 9 September**. These are occasional Mondays over the year when the year group that is achieving the best in attendance get an additional MUFTI day!

Our focus on high achievement over this year will include providing more materials and opportunities to equip you as parents to support your children in their core skills of reading, writing and maths and in their wider learning journey, so watch this space! We also have plenty of plans to develop further our **exciting curriculum** this year to ensure the children are loving their learning. There will be **‘Meet the Teacher’ meetings next week** (see dates and times below), where we will share with you more information about what your child will be learning over this term and the year - so please do make it a priority to be there!

We are excited about a great year of learning ahead, and are looking forward to working in partnership with you on achieving the best for all our Ashford children.

### Our Bible verse for our new iShare Learning theme, ‘Living on Purpose’

We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Romans 8v28

## Meet the teacher

Monday 9 September Year 5 in Llamas room at 3.15pm  
Monday 9 September Year 6 in Leopards room at 3.15pm  
Tuesday 10 September Year 3 in Lemurs room at 3.15pm  
Tuesday 10 September Year 4 in Rhinos room at 3.15pm  
Wednesday 11 September Year 2 in Zebras room at 3.10pm  
Thursday 12 September Year 1 in Pandas room at 3.10pm

## Governor Election

FOLLOWING the recent parent nomination process we are please to announce that Louise Bowman has been re-elected as Parent Governor for a further 4 year term of office.

## Weekly Reflection

**If you love life,  
don't waste time,  
for time is what  
life is made up of.**



- Bruce Lee (1940-1973)