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Dear Parents / Carers

Bienvenue! A warm welcome to our new students and their families starting the CLIL immersion programme in Year 7 this year. I'm writing to introduce myself (Mrs Hayley Good) and my colleague, Miss Abbie Ellis, as your child's tutors. I do hope that your son/daughter is starting to feel settled at Midhurst Rother College, having now completed the first fortnightly cycle of their Week A and B timetable. We have thoroughly enjoyed starting to get to know the students, and I for one have enjoyed watching their already impressive progress in French.

So many of the tutor group attempted the summer challenges set by Mrs Lunskey, and it was fabulous to see the results of that work - thank you for your emails, photos, videos (!) and lots of lovely posters. I've taken the liberty of displaying many of these already! The students have started CLIL well - with enthusiasm and commitment, and it's been great to hear them not just absorbing vocabulary through hearing their teachers, but also already using target language themselves.

Regarding vocabulary acquisition, I would like to ask if you could provide your child with a notebook (A5 or smaller in size but with at least 52 pages) to be used as a vocabulary book. The idea being this is personal to them, to be used independently across all immersion subjects, to note down all the new words they come across daily. We strongly encourage our CLIL students to be 'magpies' with new vocabulary. I would suggest the students use the main part for general vocabulary but separate some sections near the back for any subject-specific vocabulary (eg. for immersion Science). This could be as simple as an exercise book, or more decorative, with section tabs and ring bound for example, or decorated with pictures they like. But there is no need to buy anything extravagant. Please do let us know if this expense would cause an issue for you, and the MFL department can provide an exercise book. Lastly, I wish to explain the set-up with the tutor group this year. As I work part-time, the tutor group is shared with Miss Ellis. There is a period between Weeks A and B where I am not in school for a few consecutive days. My working days are as follows:

Week A Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Week B Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

(With Miss Ellis leading tutor time on the other days in between. This is also the case with Miss Annabel Lunskey, our CLIL teaching assistant, who we are very pleased to have supporting us this year). We are happy to hear from you whenever you wish to contact us with any information or questions concerning your child. Please do email both Miss Ellis and me, and one of us will pick it up.

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We look forward to seeing you in October for the Meet the Tutor evening and thank you for your support of CLiL at College.

Your sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hayley Good." The signature is written in a cursive style with a period at the end.

Mrs Hayley Good

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Teacher of French and Spanish