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Welcome back everyone. I hope your summer break has been an opportunity to recharge and find some quiet relaxing moments in your life as we head into an exciting new school year.

I am very honoured to be the Principal of Handsworth. From my previous time at Handsworth I know firsthand that whether on the field of athletics, on the performing stage, in our classrooms or out in the Handsworth community, our students represent themselves, their families, the school and the community with a dignity and class that we can all be proud of. Further, our student's work ethic and focus in the academic classroom has made Handsworth stand out.

I would like to welcome our new Grade 8 students and their parents to Handsworth Secondary. Handsworth has many opportunities for grade 8 students to be involved, whether it is through student council, athletics, performing and visual arts and applied skills or volunteering. Information on these activities can be heard on announcements, our newsletters and our website. As we prepare for the 2015-2016 school year, I encourage you to take the time to look through our August newsletter; you will find it contains useful information for our school community.

The Handsworth mission statement, revised two years ago, guides us:

The Handsworth community develops empowered, innovative and compassionate learners who serve and lead with curiosity and integrity.

The student agenda book is more than an organizer. It contains our school mission statement and in-depth information on the year ahead. Additionally, we have added customized pages for our students found at the back of the agenda book. I would also encourage you to take the time, whether you are new or a returning student, to review the important pages at the front of this agenda book that includes our Handsworth Code of Conduct.

I am proud and honoured to be the Principal of Handsworth and I look forward to working with all of you in September. On behalf of the entire staff at Handsworth, we wish you a successful and rewarding year!

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