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Dear Parents/ Carers,

It gives me great pleasure to write to you as the new Principal of Poppleton Ousebank Primary School and to welcome you to what I am sure will be a very busy and exciting year ahead.

This school year marks my 20th year as a teacher. I genuinely still love my job, it is a joy and privilege to work with children and to make a positive difference to their lives. I have worked in a number of different primary schools in North Yorkshire, York and Leeds. I was Headteacher of Elvington CE Primary (2015-2019) and a large primary in Leeds, Woodlesford (2019-2023). For the past seven years, I have also served as an Ofsted Inspector which has given me great professional development and the opportunity to be outward looking and observe best practice in other local authorities.

It's been an amazing start to the school year and my first week in post. I have been blown away by the children's enthusiasm and politeness. It has been a joy to see so many smiles on faces. I have loved spending time in class and at break times getting to meet the children, hearing their enthusiasm for their work in class and sharing stories of the adventures they had during the Christmas festivities. I would also like to thank the staff for making my first week so special. They really have shown me what a fabulous school this is. The whole school community has made me feel very welcome. Thank you.

I look forward to meeting you all as parents over the course of the year and to work in partnership with you. I am clearly part of a fantastic community, who work together to ensure all children are happy and achieve their full potential. It is my intention, that together, we will continue to raise standards and ensure that every child is given every opportunity to be their absolute best, while making sure school is an exciting, enjoyable and memorable place to be.

Please continue to come and say hello to me in the playground and to introduce yourselves. You may also like to follow me on Twitter, where I will be sharing with you all the great things from Poppleton Primary school; @LCollierpops.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,



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