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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am honored to be writing to you to introduce myself as the new Head Teacher of Manor Primary School. I was thrilled when the Governors informed me that they were entrusting me to take on the job of leading such a wonderful, successful school that has been so well led by Mrs Tomkins over the last twenty-three years.

I am looking forward to getting to know all of our pupils, parents and carers. When I first visited the school I was immediately struck by how well the children were cared for and respected, which has led to them behaving so well and being empowered to succeed. The school's strong identity and values, epitomized by the motto of "To be the best that we can be," resonated deeply with my own, reinforcing my desire to be part of the school's future.

Education and the well-being of children holds a special place in my heart, and I have devoted the last 17 years of my career to teaching, and served as a Deputy Head Teacher for the past 7 years. I am dedicated to leading the school into its next phase, collaborating with the dedicated staff and supportive governors to uphold its values and sustain its legacy of achievement.

The success and happiness of our school community depends on the collective efforts of all stakeholders. As parents and carers, you are the first and most influential educators of your child, and your partnership with the school is crucial to their success. Whilst my immediate priorities will, of course, be the children and staff, I am keen to build relationships with you and am planning a few events to facilitate this. I will also be available at the school gate before and after school, so please do say hello.

RAAC Update

On a separate note, you may have seen the recent news about school closures related to the presence of RAAC (a specific type of concrete) in their buildings. We want to reassure you that our school will continue to operate as usual while we diligently follow the guidance from the Department for Education to confirm that none of our buildings contain RAAC.

INSET Days

The school INSET days have now been set for the year ahead:

- Monday 4th September
- Monday 8th January
- Monday 8th April
- Monday 17th June
- Monday 22nd July

I am looking forward to meeting you all over the next few weeks.

Warm regards,

Mrs Thomson

Head Teacher