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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to be writing my first letter as the new Headteacher of Hipsburn First School. In my first few days the staff and children have made me feel very welcome. It has been lovely to be greeted at school by so many happy and friendly faces!

I have met some of you already either at the gate in the morning or when you have come to collect your children in the afternoon. If you have any concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch via the school office to make an appointment or see me at the beginning or end of the school day.

It is very important to me that the children are happy and that all of their needs academic and otherwise are met. It is my priority to work with the staff, the governors and the parents to ensure our children are achieving their very best.

During my teaching career I have taught Year Six for fifteen years and have also taught a Year Five / Six split class. I have experience teaching in Year One and Year Two and I have also had the opportunity to take children in Year Four, Five and Six on residential trips. I have been an Acting Deputy Headteacher in a large primary school in North Tyneside and I have also been a Deputy Headteacher with a great number of responsibilities in another primary school for the last seven years. I completed my NPQH (National Professional Qualification for Headship) in July 2014 and my school placement took place in a Northumberland school.

As a parent myself (both my children attend schools in Alnwick), I am very aware of the changes taking place within the education system in Alnwick at the moment. Within this period of change there is also a great potential for



development and growth and as we move towards being a primary school I look forward to the opportunities ahead. I greatly value parental opinions and I hope that together we will take this school forwards.

Soon I will be inviting you into school for a cup of tea and a chat in the school hall. Please look out for further details in the next couple of weeks.

Kind regards,

Kevin Moloney

