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Dear parents / carers,

Welcome back and I hope you have had a wonderful Easter break.

I am writing to introduce myself to you as the new Executive Headteacher of Carleton Rode and Forncett St Peter CEVA Primary School Federation. Since my appointment I have made several visits to both schools and each time I have come away positive about the atmosphere of both schools, which is a credit to the children, staff and parents. I can see that both schools are like a 'family' and I really look forward to the future here.

Over the next half term, I hope to get to know as many people in the school community as possible so please come and introduce yourself, it will be a pleasure getting to know you all.

The vision of the federation to 'Love your neighbour as you love yourself' (Matthew 22:39) encapsulates the power of the community; how much we can achieve when we work together. It is a vision of a world towards which we all strive.

I am inspired by this vision and my personal leadership vision is to extend this principle of *community* further; to realise that by learning and living together with respect, each one of us within the community becomes greater in terms of actualising our *individual* potential. We become a community of great individuals operating with success and each making our unique respectful contribution to improve the whole community.

My aim is to discover the unique voice within each child through education. This is the voice that each child will spend their lifetime honing and developing so that they make their contribution to our planet and the global community. To do this, we need to value our staff and give them the opportunities to be their best so that they can work in partnership with parents and carers to give each one of our children, the very best platform of foundational primary education to take them forward so that they can live their best lives. This is more important now than it has ever been before as we begin to re-build from the pandemic.

From my experience of working across two schools, I know that a successful and happy federation depends on all of us working together. I am looking forward to finding out more about both schools so that any changes we make in this new chapter are supported by the whole school community.

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As with all human endeavours, schools are places of constant renewal and development and I look forward to being a part of the wonderful and crucial adventure of Primary education at both schools in the coming years.

In order to promote further communication with the community, sharing the fantastic work both schools do, I have set up a Twitter page. Please follow us on:

@CarletonRodePri   or **@ForncettPrimary**

Yours faithfully

Callum Richards
Executive Headteacher