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Dear Families,

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I would like to say how wonderful my first week at Coulston C of E school has been. It has been a pleasure to meet the children and staff in school, and families at the beginning and end of the day. Thank you all for being so welcoming. Over the coming weeks I look forward to getting to know you all even better. I will be in the playground most mornings and afternoons and will also arrange an evening event for parents to help facilitate this - I will let you have the details of this soon.

This week I have had the pleasure of spending time with your wonderful children both in and out of the classroom. They have made me so welcome and I have really enjoyed my time with them. I have especially enjoyed some interesting conversations while having lunch with the children! Over the next couple of weeks, as well as trying to learn all of their names, I am excited to find out more about their learning, interests and personalities.

It is clear to me this week, as it was on my visits last term, that Coulston Primary School is a warm, welcoming place to be. The motto 'Together, growing in mind, body and spirit' is one that is lived throughout the school and demonstrated in all that we do. I believe the 'together' part to be especially important on our journey and I look forward to working with the whole of Coulston community to ensure that the school continues to be the special place that it is today.

*"Two are better than one because they have a good return for their labour: If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up. Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone?"*

### **Ecclesiastes 4:9-12**

Many thanks,

Paul Garratty.

Head Teacher at Coulston C of E Primary School

