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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well and that you have had a great summer. My name is Joanne Butler and I am delighted to introduce myself as the new Interim Headteacher of Cheapside Church of England Primary School.

Firstly, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the school's outgoing Headteacher, Mrs Searle, for her dedication and hard work during her tenure at Cheapside. I am excited to be taking over this role and to build upon the excellent educational provision offered by the school over many years. My thanks also go to Mrs Roberts, the outgoing Assistant Headteacher, who made such an important contribution to the school's success. I have enjoyed meeting the richly experienced and skilled team of professionals here at Cheapside. Their expertise and dedication provide a wonderful learning environment for our children and I look forward to working closely with them to ensure continued excellence.

I also appreciate the support of the excellent Governing Body who have been so helpful while I have been preparing to take on this role.

My educational vision aligns perfectly with the values and aims of Cheapside. I am committed to fostering a love of learning, a sense of confidence in children as learners and a genuine care for each other. These values are borne out in the school's vision: 'Achieving our best, in thought, in word, in deed'.

Cheapside has a reputation for being a supportive and caring school community, and I am delighted to become a part of it. I believe that when educators, parents, carers and the wider community work together, we can provide the best possible environment for our children to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

Furthermore, I believe that parental involvement is crucial to a child's education. I will be keeping in contact with you via regular emails. There will also be regular updates on our social media streams. This will ensure you have lots to discuss with your child about their school experience.

Finally, I want to assure you that my door is always open. I am keen to get to know each of you and foster positive and open lines of communication. I will be out on the gate in the mornings and afternoons as much as I can, so please come and say hello. I also encourage you to engage with us in school and share any concerns or suggestions that you may have. If you need to discuss any aspect of your child's education or have any questions or worries, please do not hesitate to arrange a meeting with the school office.

I am incredibly excited to become a part of the Cheapside School community. I would like to extend my warmest wishes for a successful and happy new academic year.

Yours sincerely,

Joanne Butler
Interim Headteacher