I've had a spectacular first fortnight of being the head teacher at the Holme school. I have really enjoyed meeting everyone properly and I am sure that over the coming weeks I will be getting to meet even more people from the school and the wider community.

Over these two weeks I have been particularly impressed by the number of activities that take place at the Holme, there is clearly never a dull moment here. Our year six students have just returned from a busy residential week in the New Forest; climbing, abseiling and many other adventures being the order of the day.

Starting at a new school is an exciting and slightly anxiety-inducing time regardless of your age. I know that everyone in our community is interested to see how our school grows and develops over the coming months and I hope that you will share your ideas and opinions with me. I am very keen to know as much as I can about the wider community here. I want to develop partnerships and grow good relationships that reach far beyond our school gates, all with the aim of improving the outcomes for the wonderful children here in our school. I'd be pleased to meet or talk with members of the community about how they might be able to support our school and indeed how our school can be more involved in the community so please feel free to contact me through our school office.

I hope I'll be able to share snippets and stories from our school through this newsletter over the coming months.

Campbell McArthur, Headteacher