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Dear Families,

Welcome to a new school year! I hope you and your children had an enjoyable summer filled with rest, laughter, and special memories. As we begin the 2025-26 school year, we are looking forward to our schools being filled with the energy and enthusiasm that students bring with them each day.

Our school staff have been working hard over the past weeks to prepare for the year ahead. From ensuring classrooms are ready to creating engaging learning opportunities, their commitment to student success is at the heart of everything we do. We are fortunate to have passionate teachers, support staff, and leaders who work tirelessly to make our schools safe, welcoming, and inspiring places for learning for your children.

I want to take a moment to remind families of the provincial legislation regarding **digital device usage**. We recognize that technology can be a powerful tool for learning; however, to ensure our schools remain focused environments where all students can thrive, we ask that personal devices such as cell phones are kept away during instructional time unless otherwise directed by a teacher for learning purposes. Your support in reinforcing these expectations at home helps us maintain classrooms that are respectful, attentive, and free from unnecessary distractions.

This year holds great promise for our students. Together, as families, educators, and community members, we share the collective responsibility of nurturing a sense of belonging, respect for self and others, reconciliation, empathy, equity, and perseverance. As a District we remain deeply committed to empowering students to become confident, curious, and caring individuals who thrive in their learning, relationships, and community.

On behalf of our entire team, thank you for entrusting us with your child's education. We look forward to working in partnership with you to make this school year one of growth, connection, achievement, and joy.

Warm regards,

Donna Kriger Superintendent of Schools