## Welcome Back to our new, and returning, Jackson Families!

I would like to take this opportunity to quickly introduce myself, as I'm looking forward to meeting everyone in person. My name is Mrs. Debbie Chenier, and I'm your new principal, and is very excited to be part of the Jackson community. Teaching for 13 years and being a principal for 16 have provided me many learning opportunities from Abbotsford, Fort Nelson, Coquitlam, Atlanta, and most recently, Abu Dhabi. I'm passionate about learning, for myself, and for children. Thank you for the warm welcome I'm so excited to get the year started!

Just a few quick items before we start school next week.

## Tuesday, September 5th

Grade 1-5 students attend 8:30-11:30 and line up at LAST YEAR'S classroom door.

New students report to office and a staff member will escort them to class. Please send a snack as we will be going outside for recess. School supplies not needed for the first day.

Kindergarten Meeting will be held at 8:45-9:30 in school gym.

## New Process beginning Wednesday, September 7th.

Grade 1-5 students will be **temporarily** placed in a grade level 'homeroom' where they will rotate through their grade level classrooms.

'Homeroom' lists will be posted when children are picked up Tuesday at 11:30 Students will report to their 'homeroom' class in the morning and will be there for dismissal.

Rotations will continue until we're able to complete class lists, as they are based on the number of children who are in school the first week, and that number fluctuates.

Kindergarten students will follow their schedule that have been individually emailed.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work on class lists. Please note that a lot of thought and time are used to create classroom compositions.

It looks like we will have combined (split) grade level classes this year. Please note that we teach children at their individual level, and not 'grades'. **Being positive about school is the most important indicator ensuring your child's success.** We hope to settle into our permanent classrooms as soon as possible.

Looking forward to a fabulous year, Mrs. Chenier