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### SD46 ANNOUNCES ED LEADERSHIP ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR

School District No. 46 is pleased to announce the following new principal appointments for the 2018-19 school year, effective August 1, 2018.

**Kinnikinnick Elementary School: Bernadette Marie, Principal.**

**West Sechelt Elementary School: Jeff Marshall, Principal.**

**Chatelech Secondary School: Kate Kerr, Principal.**

**Kate Kerr** is reassigned as Principal at Chatelech Secondary School. Mrs. Kerr has been Principal at



West Sechelt Elementary for three years, Vice-Principal at Elphinstone Secondary School for two years and previously was a special education teacher at Elphinstone Secondary School. “It has been my true privilege and honour to work with the learning community of West Sechelt Elementary. West Sechelt is a special school and will always hold a place in my heart. I am excited to accept the opportunity to be the principal of Chatelech Secondary School, where I look forward to my

partnership in learning with staff, students, parents and the community,” said Mrs. Kerr.

Current Chatelech Secondary School Principal Mark Heidebrecht will be retiring from School District No. 46 at the end of this school year. “We thank Mr. Heidebrecht for his leadership at Chatelech Secondary School and wish him all the best in his future endeavours,” commented Superintendent Patrick Bocking.

**Jeff Marshall** is reassigned as Principal at West Sechelt Elementary School. Mr. Marshall has



been principal at Kinnikinnick Elementary School since 2016 and has been an elementary and secondary teacher at Kinnikinnick and Roberts Creek Elementary Schools and Chatelech and Pender Harbour Secondary Schools since 1999. Prior to that, he taught in a variety of First Nations schools in Quebec and B.C., including the Sechelt Indian Band School’s Morningside Program. “It has been an honour to serve the wonderful Kinnikinnick family and to work with such a skilled and

dedicated staff of professionals. I am excited to be offered an opportunity to join West Sechelt

Elementary, a vibrant school community that is responsible for my own children's school happiness and success," said Mr. Marshall.

A warm welcome is extended to **Bernadette Marie** in her position as Principal at Kinnikinnick Elementary School. Ms. Marie has worked in Haida Gwaii for the past seven years as an elementary and secondary principal. She has taught for over 10 years in BC, Saskatchewan, Quebec, as well as overseas. "I am excited to make the Sunshine Coast my home and to join the Kinnikinnick School community. I look forward to working with students, staff, and families, and exploring the beautiful culture of the Coast," commented Ms. Marie.



Superintendent Patrick Bocking thanks the current principals and vice-principals, who make up the district's educational leadership team, and their staffs for their efforts on behalf of students. "The Board and I are proud of the superb leadership and support that our principals and vice-principals provide our students, staff and community. With the addition of Ms. Marie joining the leadership team, we will add further depth, energy and experience to achieve our ambition: *Excellence in all we do!*"

### PRINCIPALS AND VICE PRINCIPALS FOR SEPTEMBER 2018

Cedar Grove Elementary School.....	Barry Krangle
Davis Bay Elementary School.....	Ursula Hardwick
Gibsons Elementary School.....	Deborah Luporini
Halfmoon Bay Elementary School.....	Lynda Brisebois
Kinnikinnick Elementary School.....	Bernadette Marie
Langdale Elementary School.....	Duncan Knight
Madeira Park Elementary School.....	Glen Smith
Roberts Creek Elementary School.....	Christa Rive
West Sechelt Elementary School.....	Jeff Marshall
Chatelech Secondary School.....	Kate Kerr (PR), Mark Sauer (VP)
Elphinstone Secondary School.....	John Brisebois (PR), Drew Murphy (VP)
Pender Harbour Secondary School.....	Chris Lekakis
Sunshine Coast Alternative School.....	Carolyn Spence
District Principal of Aboriginal Programs and Services.....	Kerry Mahlman
District Principal of Technology and Data Management.....	Phil Luporini
District Principal of Learning and Innovation.....	Kirsten Deasey