KATZIE ELEMENTARY

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are extremely saddened to share that one of our staff members, Ms. Susanne Pennefather, passed away peacefully last Friday. The loss of a member in our community is always difficult. Ms. Pennefather touched the hearts of many in her role as a Learning Support Teacher at Katzie Elementary. Our heartfelt support and sympathy is extended to her family at this time.

Ms. Pennefather's contribution to our school and many other schools in the district spans several decades, and her loss will be felt by all who knew her. In response, we have implemented a plan that allows students the opportunity to talk about their feelings to a counsellor or staff member as appropriate for the remainder of this week.

We know that you will be sensitive to the feelings your son or daughter may have at this time. The loss of someone they know can be felt in many ways. Students often feel such emotions as sadness, anger and/or confusion. Sometimes they feel numb or depressed. These feelings are normal and may take some time to process. Your son or daughter may need your patience and guidance during this time. Please refer to the information on the back of this letter for additional ways to support your child.

We will provide information on our website regarding commemorative arrangements when available as appropriate. As we are nearing the end of our school year, we trust that you will provide your child with any necessary supports if needed.

If you have any questions of concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Most sincerely,

Sol Lee Principal Katzie Elementary