



April 18, 2017

Dear Parents and Students of Ray Shepherd,

It is with a heavy heart that I have to announce that this will be my last school year working at Ray Shepherd as principal. I will be moving to a new school, David Brankin, in September, 2017.

I have had such a wonderful time here at Ray Shepherd working and learning alongside staff, students and parents! I feel so fortunate to have had 4.5 years working with such a kind, compassionate and collaborative community. Each day, students greet me with warm smiles and fascinating stories. I am amazed at the creative minds and kind hearts of all our students.

I want to thank everyone for their ongoing support, encouraging words and compassionate hearts. It truly takes a village to raise a child, and I feel so fortunate to have worked alongside such wonderful people!

The new principal, beginning in September, is Mrs. Linda Chau who comes to us from White Rock Elementary. She has been a vice principal in the South Surrey/White Rock area for many years and brings with her wonderful energy, insightful ideas and a wealth of experience. Welcome Linda!

Once again, thank you to everyone for making my time at Ray Shepherd so positive and memorable. I will miss you all as I continue in my journey and wish you all the best in continuing to make Ray Shepherd the wonderful school it is!

Take care,

Ms. J. Howard Principal