

CRAIGFLOWER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Craigflower Community:

It has been a year full of learning, laughing, change, tears and triumphs. Once again we find ourselves close to summer and plans are being made to successfully transition all our students into a new grade. We have seen our students grow and change in ways we did not think possible back in September; but grow and change they did! Planning for next year is something that is occurring all over our District as schools around Victoria experience staffing changes. As school administrators we organize and plan how to staff our building; our District Leadership Team does the same kind of organizing and planning on a much larger scale. Part of that plan includes me moving to Quadra Elementary and Tim Murphy, our current vice principal, stepping into the role of principal here at Craigflower.

I feel privileged to have been your child's principal; my experience here at Craigflower has been unlike any other I have had in education. Never have I seen children so deeply care for one another, rarely have I seen teachers and educational staff care so deeply about the educational wellbeing of their students and never have I had the pleasure to work with such a loving and dedicated group of parents.

The community itself has been welcoming and supportive and I have been amazed at the many partnerships Craigflower has to boast about: Thrifty's Foods, Esquimalt Lions, Rotary Club of Saanich, Saanich Police, Ralmax, The Mortgage Group, Cobb's Bread, Kiwanis Club, The Food Share Network, 1550's Restaurant, and of course our amazing Parent Council!

Two of our most important partners are the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations who have been incredible supporters of both Educational and Cultural programming here at Craigflower. I thank all the folks at both these Nations for welcoming me and for all the work they have done, over many years, at Craigflower Elementary.

My two years here at Craigflower have given me so many gifts, the most important of which being our students who have made each and every day I have worked here special. I will take all my experiences from this special place with me to every other school in which I am lucky enough to work.

Thanks to you all,

Connor McCoy