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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The University Hill Elementary School staff is delighted to welcome back students and parents to a new school year. Even after many years of attending and working at schools, I always love “Back to School” time. It’s the time for the fresh beginnings of new school supplies and new friends, as well as a time to reconnect with old friends and favorite books! Students report to last years classroom from 9:00 am – 9:30 am on September 5<sup>th</sup> so we can take attendance and finalize classes for the coming year. New students can meet in the school library. Students attend from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm on Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>.

Keeping our students safe is a number one priority. This year the entire district will be participating in a safe arrival program. Please ensure your child arrives promptly to school each day. This helps us to know they are safe and teaches them good time management skills for the future. Please call the school at 604-713-5350 or email [cjoyce@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:cjoyce@vsb.bc.ca) if you child is going to be late or away; otherwise you will be receiving a phone call from the school regarding your child’s absence.

Please be very cautious if you are driving a car. The R.C.M.P. patrols this area and issues tickets for not following traffic rules. There is a drop off zone in front of the school for the convenience of drivers. Once your child has been dropped off, please exit this area quickly to keep traffic moving. The drop off zone is not intended to be a parking spot so please do not leave your car and block other cars. The parking lot is intended for staff. Walking or biking is the best option if that is possible.

Our secretary, Corinna, will be sending out newsletters via email. Please be sure to visit the school website regularly. It has a plethora of information about ordering lunches, participating in activities such as Choir for Gr. 2-5 students (sign up next week) and after school programs such as Lego Robotics or Chess Club. I will also

be blogging regularly and tweeting on our school Twitter feed @UHillElementary to keep you informed.

University Hill is one of three schools providing the Lunch Smart Hot Lunch Program for only \$4.95 per day. It is a full pay program, where as you must pay for the full month. Charges are based on number of school days in the month. The lunch program will begin on Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup> for Grade's 1-5 and more information will be coming home next Friday.

If your children are attending University Hill Elementary, you, as parents, are automatically a member of the PAC – Parent Advisory Council. Parents meet, talk, plan, fundraise, support teachers and provide a vital role in ensuring effective parent-school communication. Everyone is invited to participate actively. PAC members will be on site on the first day of school. Please plan to attend the first PAC Meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am.

I will look forward to meeting you and your child.

Sincerely,

*Ms. Carrie Froese*

Principal