

Dear Landels Community,

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the 2017-2018 school year. I am looking forward to beginning my third year as your Principal and my 18th year with the Mountain View Whisman School District. This is truly a special learning community that supports every student.

During their time here at Landels, our students grow both academically and socially. In the classroom, they receive instruction that will challenge them to do their personal best. Students learn how to work as a team and to problem solve through collaboration. Also, because we live in the heart of Silicon Valley, we strive to find innovative ways to use technology in the classroom to support learning. Elementary School is also important socially for students. Here they practice respect and kindness towards others. In addition, our diverse community truly supports a more global view and allows students the opportunity to learn about many different cultures.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you very soon. This is going to be an amazing school year.

Here are some important dates to remember:

- **Thursday, 8/10/17:** Class lists posted at the main office at 4:00 (Pizza, Landels Gear, and PTA Membership from 4:00 to 5:30)
- **Friday, 8/11/17:** Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten Lemonade from 3:00-4:00 (Lemonade, Landels Gear, and PTA Membership)
- **Monday, 8/14/17:** FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!!! (This will be a minimum day and all students will be dismissed at 12:10pm.)
- **Monday, 8/14/17:** PTA Welcome Back Coffee at 8:15 in the MUR
- **Wednesday, 8/23/17:** Back to School Night from 6:00-7:30. (This is a minimum day and all students will be dismissed at 12:10pm)(New Family meeting from 5:00-6:00)

**Please keep up to date with all the information about Landels by reading our weekly newsletter, The Wednesday Word, that will be e-mailed to all parents every Wednesday and by visiting our website at <http://landels.mvwsd.org/>

Sincerely,
Steve Chesley
Principal