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**On behalf of the Board of Education of School District 50, Haida Gwaii,
I want to welcome all our amazing staff to a new school year.**

As we begin the 2020-2021 school year, I know we will face challenges. However, I am confident that we can create a safe and fun learning environment for all our students and staff.

I want to acknowledge that we are all feeling some uncertainty and additional mental stress as we learn to live and work in these unprecedented times. We are all in this together, and together as a community we will continue to improve student outcomes in the safest way possible.

My hope is that we use this unique situation to find new and creative ways to deliver education to our families that align with Haida values and the unique opportunities that Haida Gwaii affords. That may mean more time outdoors; exploring and learning from the forests, beaches, and rivers of our amazing home, and from the many knowledge keepers of Haida Gwaii. We encourage you to try new ideas and collaborate in new ways to deliver education that keeps you, our children, and our communities safe.

So as you navigate through this new phase in education delivery, do remember we are here for each other and that the safety of our staff and students is priority one.

Stay safe.

Sincerely,

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