

May 2, 2025

We are pleased to announce that Daniella Bennie will be Acting Principal for 2025-2026 at Diamond Vale Elementary. Daniella will be moving from her District Vice Principal of Childcare and Early Learning position to fill this assignment. With Daniella's diverse and extensive experience as a primary teacher, Student Support Teacher, and her district administration role, she is an excellent fit to support the school and community. Daniella was a valued member of the Diamond Vale School in the past, and we appreciate Daniella's willingness to return to support staff and students at Diamond Vale and her dedication to our district schools.

We are pleased to announce that Becky Puterbough will be Principal for 2025-2026 at Merritt Central Elementary. Becky has a proven track record of success in supporting students, staff, and families. As Principal at Diamond Vale for the past 4 years, she has built an inclusive and dynamic school community. Returning to Merritt Central, where she was previously Vice-Principal, Becky will lead the school forward and bring her unique talents and gifts to the role.

We are pleased to announce that Natasha Omori will be our English Language Learner teacher in the 2025-2026 school year. Natasha's passion for supporting students shines through in her daily interactions with students, staff, and parents. Natasha is a passionate advocate for students, and we appreciate her willingness and enthusiasm to support students across the district in both Merritt and Princeton.

Sincerely,



Courtney Lawrance
Superintendent of Schools