



SUNSET LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Sunset Lane Seahawks,

Welcome to the 2026–2027 school year! As we begin another exciting year at Sunset Lane, I am filled with gratitude for the incredible community that makes our school such a special place. It brings me great joy to welcome back our returning students and families, and I extend a heartfelt welcome to those joining the Seahawk family for the very first time. Whether you have been part of our school for years or are just beginning your journey with us, we are so happy you are here.

This year's theme is centered around a simple, but powerful belief that Sunset Lane is a place where kindness blooms and resilience rises. Inspired by the symbolism of the marigold and the dandelion, our theme reminds us that there are times when we encourage, support, and lift one another up, just as marigolds help neighboring plants thrive. There are also times when we are called to persevere with courage and resilience, growing through challenges like the dandelion that flourishes wherever it is planted. Together, these qualities create a school culture where every child, every family, and every staff member has the opportunity to thrive.

At Sunset Lane, we know that creating this kind of culture extends far beyond our classrooms. Families are our children's first teachers, and your partnership plays an essential role in helping our students succeed. Throughout the year, we invite our entire Seahawk community to embrace this message by choosing kindness, extending grace, offering encouragement, and demonstrating resilience when challenges arise. Together, we can create a school where every child feels safe, supported, connected, and inspired to reach their fullest potential. Our commitment to educating the whole child remains at the heart of everything we do, as we strive to provide engaging and meaningful learning experiences while nurturing students' academic growth, social-emotional well-being, character, and sense of belonging. Every decision we make is grounded in our mission of creating a safe, supportive, and inclusive environment where every student can learn, grow, and flourish.

We are incredibly proud of the recognitions that reflect our collective commitment to excellence. Sunset Lane continues to be recognized as a Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3 High Reliability School, demonstrating our dedication to maintaining a safe and collaborative culture, delivering high-quality instruction, and ensuring a guaranteed and viable curriculum for every student. We are also honored to continue our recognition as a Platinum PBIS School, a 2023 California Distinguished School, and a 2025 California Honor Roll School. These achievements reflect the unwavering dedication of our students, staff, families, and community, and our shared commitment to providing every Seahawk with an exceptional educational experience.

As we look ahead to another wonderful year, I am excited for the opportunities that await us. Together, we will celebrate successes, navigate challenges, support one another, and continue building a school where every child is known, every family is valued, and every Seahawk has the opportunity to soar. Here's to a year of kindness, resilience, and endless possibilities. Welcome back, Seahawks. We can't wait to see all that this school year will bring!

With gratitude and Seahawk pride,

Tracy Gyurina, Ed.D.
Principal