



Dear Mariposa Community,

Welcome to the 2022/23 school year! Our staff has been busy planning for the full time return of our students and we all look forward to bringing joy, building strong relationships, and creating wonderful memories. We have many new families joining our special Mariposa community and I would like to extend a warm welcome.

Goals for the Year

- ★ **Feel Happy**, we will follow these “10 Keys to Happier Living” and focus on one key each month both at school and I will share ideas for you to participate at home.
 - Giving - Do kind things for others
 - Relating - Connect with people
 - Exercising - Take care of your body
 - Awareness - Live life mindfully
 - Trying Out - Keep learning new things
 - Direction - Have goals to look forward
 - Resilience - Find ways to bounce back
 - Emotions - Look for what’s good
 - Acceptance - Be comfortable with who you are
 - Meaning - Be part of something bigger

- ★ **Social Emotional Learning** - will be working with a Social Emotional system called RULER and helping students identify how they are feeling and teaching them strategies to manage their feelings.

- ★ **Connection** - please find ways to engage and connect with our special Mariposa Community now that things are getting back to normal.
 - Read emails and stay informed
 - Attend all community events
 - Try to come on campus during Wednesday pick-up to meet other parents
 - Build a strong relationship with your child’s teacher
 - Introduce yourself to the front office staff when you come into the office.
 - Always be kind.
 - Attend Coffee and Conversation and parent education nights.

The staff and I are looking forward to a wonderful year,

Warm Regards,

Ms. Leslie Martinez - Principal

