

**Hotchkiss K-8 School**  
**Weekly News Update**  
**“Opening doors for endless possibilities.”**  
**August 24, 2018**

**Principal’s Message:**

What a great start to the new school year. Mr. Carlquist, Mrs. Tribble and Mrs. Shreve have been so helpful to me getting settled into a new school. We have an amazing staff to support and teach our incredible students. I have enjoyed getting to know everybody. I’m still in the process of learning all the names of students. They have been nothing but kind and welcoming to me. I have been impressed with the quality of people that work here. This was one of the most attractive parts of accepting this job. I’m also very excited about the new hires we made over the summer. They have all fit in very well with the current staff. I also want to thank Linda Hodges for being our long term sub in our 2nd grade for Mrs. Rodriguez.

Our staff has spent this week getting to know their students. Establishing relationships is the most important part of setting up the school year for success. It’s an old adage but a true one, “People don’t care how much you know until they know how much you care.” Our goal is to continue to have great relationships at Hotchkiss K-8. This includes students, staff, and parents. Thank you all for your support and welcoming our family into the community. We are setting the stage for great things to happen at Hotchkiss K-8.

**NEW STAFF MEMBERS for 2018-19:**

Bryan Hollembeak- Principal  
Amy Miller- Instructional Coach  
Mollie Renardet- 3rd Grade Teacher  
Heidi Simpson- 6th grade Social Studies and ELA  
Laura Rossi- 7th/8th STEM & Technology  
Jon Siegel- School Counselor  
Jeannie Hinyard- Reading Intervention  
Tonya Pipher- Instructional Aide  
Jessie Overlease- Instructional Aide  
Veda Beardslee- Custodian  
Matt Hall-ELL Teacher

**Calendar:**

**August 27-31** DIBELS testing grades K-5  
Finish completing Beginning of Year Assessment in GoMath

**August 30** Pre-School meeting 8:00 am for morning students/2:00 pm for afternoon students  
The meetings be held in the multi-purpose room  
7th Grade Football game @ Centennial (Montrose) @ 4:00 pm  
8th Grade Football game @ Centennial (Montrose) @ 5:30 pm  
Bus @ 2:00 p.m.

Please remember our primary form of communication is our weekly Friday Newsletter through email, we are constantly putting up new information on our website under the community tab, please check it regularly. You may also access the newsletter through our website: [hk8.deltaschools.com](http://hk8.deltaschools.com) and please like us on Facebook, at [facebook.com/HotchkissK8](https://facebook.com/HotchkissK8). You are always welcome to call the school office (872-3325) for questions and information. Hard copies are available by request.