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Dear Peace Valley Community,

After a process that included a wide recruitment effort and hours of careful review and consideration with the input of Peace Valley teachers, board members and staff, we are grateful and excited to announce that we have hired our Interim Principal, Andrew Ross, as our permanent principal.

Andrew stepped into the role of interim principal with grace and determination, working to prioritize many competing needs. He welcomed our children with warmth and kindness, he met our teachers as respected colleagues, and he embraced our community with love and determination to see us become stronger and better together, leading with the phrase, "together we serve."

Andrew came to Peace Valley, and to Boise, as our games teacher and as the director of the Peace Valley Foundation. As a certified school administrator, Andrew has spent many years taking on additional work responsibilities and seeking out mentors to help him grow as a leader and prepare for this role. His work internationally as well as within the charter school movement gives him a perspective and skill set that is invaluable to our school. Andrew is committed to Waldorf and has detailed plans to deepen his knowledge of our unique and beautiful pedagogy.

We look forward to seeing Peace Valley blossom and thrive with Andrew as our administrator. As we close our first year, we have many successes to celebrate as a community. We also have another exciting year ahead of us with new challenges and opportunities. May we all find ways to support Andrew as we move forward as a school. Let us be the first to thank him for his service, the first to encourage him when he is persevering, and the first to offer him support when he is learning and expanding his skills to better us all.

We look forward to a time ahead of building upon the good work our community has done together. We are grateful for each and every one of you.

Together we serve,

Peace Valley Governing Board