

## **New Principal Announcement - Jasper Elementary School, Jasper**

**Immediate Release: March 11, 2021** - Grande Yellowhead Public School Division is pleased to announce that Mr. Eric Bouchard, the current Assistant Principal at Jasper Junior/Senior High School has accepted the principalship at Jasper Elementary School beginning the 2021/2022 school year.

Mr. Bouchard began teaching in 1999 and over his career has spent time in several communities including Sherwood Park, Bonnyville, Doha, Qatar, and Jasper. He has held a variety of teaching and leadership positions including the role of assistant principal at Jasper Junior/Senior High School for the last six years. He brings with him many experiences that were formative in his growth as both a quality leader, and a dedicated teacher.

Mr. Bouchard has been an active community member and coach in Jasper. Along with his wife Claire and two children, Joelle and Jacob, and his dog, Ruger, he has enjoyed pursuing his deep passion for the outdoors, traveling, and hockey.

"My experience primarily in K-12 schools has provided a solid foundation of quality leadership, teaching excellence, and lifelong learning. I am both honored and humbled to serve as the next Principal of Jasper Elementary School."

Jasper Elementary School is located in Jasper National Park near the British Columbia/Alberta border and has a current enrolment of 220 students. The school offers programming from kindergarten - Grade 6 in English and French Immersion with a current enrolment of 220 students., and a junior kindergarten early learning program for children ages 3 and 4 years old.

