

BAYRIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Class Placement 2021/2022

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Dear Parent/Guardians,

It has been such an amazing week seeing and hearing the smiles and laughter inside and outside of our school as students return to learning. We are continuing to work on organizing our classes and we are hoping to have things settled by early next week.

There are many factors to consider when determining how classes are organized, and our staff take the entire process very seriously. Our teachers already have a good knowledge of the learning strengths and needs of individual students.

For your awareness, the school takes a number of things into consideration when organizing classes, including:

- Class size and composition limits
- Student intellectual, social and emotional development
- Student strengths and learning styles
- Integration of students with exceptional learning needs
- Maintaining appropriate balance in terms of class size, strengths and needs, etc.
- Social compatibility
- Etc.

Please note that numerous class placement requests are received each year and for a range of reasons, we are unable to give consideration to requests for specific teachers.

Once permanent classes are established, experience demonstrates that the vast majority of the placements work out well. Worries or concerns that may seem enormous during the first few days of school usually disappear once classroom programs and relationships are established, especially if it is coupled with "positive parent talk."

We thank you for supporting your child(ren) through this process! We are looking forward to an amazing 2021/2022 school year.

Kind regards,

Mrs. Forbes and the Bayridge Staff