

George L. Armstrong Elementary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

This school year has presented unique challenges to Ontario schools, as well as new options for students to learn in-person or remotely.

Each fall, HWDSB reviews elementary student enrolment in schools, and reorganizes staffing if actual enrolment differs from spring projections. It is normal for student enrolment to fluctuate a little.

This year, the fall reorganization is more widespread due to the in-person/remote option for students, as well as the ongoing need to meet provincial class size requirements.

Specifically, at our school, the reorganization will mean that we are required to reduce the number of classes in our school which in turn results in a reduction of staff. Due to this reduction of classes and staff we have had to create some new classes and move some teachers to different grades and locations within the school as well as moving some of our students. If your child is being moved to a different classroom, a letter will be coming home with them on October 27.

We apologize for any disruption this may cause and appreciate your understanding.

As always, our team of dedicated educators will work with you to ensure your child is well cared for and experiences educational success.

We appreciate your continued support during this time of reorganization and student safety.

Sincerely,

Karen Koop Principal

New Staff List for Classrooms:

Ms. Mullin – FDK Ms. Golia/Ms. Kelly/Ms. Ross – FDK Ms. Bigas/Ms. Lampkin – FDK Ms. Wong – Gr. 1 Ms. Viastikopoulos – Gr. 1/2 Mr. Mastroianni – Gr. 2/3 Ms. Herron – Gr. 3 Mr. Wendt - Gr. 3/4 Mr. Benedetti - Gr. 4/5 Ms. Richarz/Mr. Ciardelli - Gr. 7 Ms. Wardle – Gr. 5 Ms. Migliore - Gr. 6

Mr. Mitchell/Mr. Forman - Gr. 7/8 Mr. Scheben - Special Education

Other staff members that you do not see here will be teaching rotary subjects and some will be teaching Remote School.

Ms. Hutchinson - Gr. 8