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Parents/Guardians:

RE: Class Reorganization

Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board reviews enrolment numbers in each school at this time of year.

The enrolment numbers are compared to the projected enrolment numbers determined at the end of the previous school year, which initiates the staffing process. As we look to meet the provincial class size requirements and finalize the enrolment numbers for this school year, it is typical for student enrolment to fluctuate. There is a need to make some adjustments to our school classroom organizations based on our confirmed enrolment. Specifically, at our school we have:

- Created a combined class for Grades 3 and 4. Ms. Montesi will be teaching this class and her Grade 4 class will be closed.
- Created an additional Kindergarten class due to an increase in our school enrolment. Human Resources is presently hiring for this position.

To be in compliance, the following classes have experienced some student movement between classes and for some, a change in their class placement:

- 2A Ms. Harvey (class over capacity)
- 2 / 3A Mr. Kerman (class over capacity)
- 3A Ms. Whillier (class over capacity)
- 3 / 4 Split (new) Ms. Montesi (closed 4B)
- 4A Mr. Chiniborch student movement due to a new 3 / 4 Split
- 6 / 7A Mr. Fisher class moving to 2nd floor

A separate notice will be sent home if your child will experience a change in class placement. Changes will take place effective October 4th.

We have received over 60 requests for changes in class placements from families. Accommodating changes of this volume, given our present classroom parameters, is difficult as a request to move a student will require another student to also be moved, etc. We appreciate your understanding as we finalize class organizations for this school year. As always, our team of dedicated educators will work to ensure students are well cared for and experience educational success.

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