



Paris Central Public School

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Dear Paris Central Families,

Like all school boards in the province, Grand Erie receives funding from the Ministry of Education based on its overall elementary enrolment. Additionally, Grand Erie's elementary schools are required to meet class size caps in the primary division, and overall class size averages in the junior and intermediate divisions when staffing schools.

Each year, to operate within the limits of this funding and to meet the Ministry's required class size expectations, Grand Erie adjusts classes at some schools to ensure compliance.

This year, with many families choosing online learning due to COVID-19, class adjustments are happening at several points throughout the year – including right now – as families move from online learning to in-class, or vice versa.

The impact of these changes on our school is:

- a. Mrs. Sloss' Grade 1/2 class is being collapsed
- b. Grade 1 students from Mrs. Sloss' class will be transferred to KG/grade 1 (Mrs. Steckle's classroom)
- c. Grade 2 students from Mrs. Sloss' class will be transferred to the grade 2/3 classroom
- d. Grade 3/4 will now become a grade 2/3 (continued to be taught by Mrs. Stewart)
- e. Grade 4 students from the grade 3/4 classroom will be transferred to grade 4/5 (Mrs. Taylor's classroom)
- f. Mrs. Sloss will be teaching in the Virtual Learning Academy online.
- g. All the above changes will take affect on Monday, November 2nd.

Grand Erie District School Board recognizes and understands that class adjustments are frustrating for students, families and staff.

As we move forward as a school, we hope that you'll join us in working together. That you'll show leadership by demonstrating calm and patience for our students. That you'll help us by focusing on the most important thing right now: making sure the 2020-21 school year is the most successful one we can all build together for our students.

I would also like to apologize for the delay in sending this letter; we were facing some technical difficulties with our messenger system.

Thank you for your patience,
Latha Reuben, Principal