

Dear Parents/Guardians of St. Matthew Catholic School:

The planning process that will result in the school /class organization for the 2019-2020 school year is now underway. It is our hope that by sharing the information concerning school organization you will understand the care and thought required to develop a plan. The task is complex, time consuming and must be the subject of many revisions. The process begins now and continues right up to the final publication of class lists in September.

Our primary goal at our school is to develop balanced classes. A balanced class reflects the diversity of our community and allows the variety of interests and talents of our learners to emerge and be appreciated. It is our hope that each new school year brings opportunities for students to meet new friends and expand their circle of acquaintances. We try to place the child where he or she will be able to work best and achieve the most success.

The staff at St. Matthew Catholic School are a group of dedicated professionals. Years of meeting the learning needs of children gives them the unique qualifications to make these decisions. It takes many hours of discussion, reflection, revision and consideration of alternatives to arrive at the best organization for our school. Therefore, as you can appreciate the decisions made by school are final, with the understanding that so much time and care has already been put into making them. We thank you in advance for your understanding of this very important matter.

Please note that parental input is important to us and is weighed with other criteria. **Specific teacher requests cannot be considered.** Rather, if necessary, parental input in the form of a letter to our administration, should focus on the learning style/unique needs of the individual student. **Letters should be submitted to Mrs. Gojmerac and Mr. Chininea by May 6th, 2019.**

Thank you again for your support and cooperation,

Mrs. A. Gojmerac and Mr. V. Chininea