

## **LORD BEACONSFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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Dear Parents,

On behalf of the staff of Beaconsfield Elementary, I wish to welcome all our school families to the 2016-2017 school year. I hope you had an enjoyable summer break and are looking forward to another successful school year. I am looking forward to working with the staff so that we can continue to provide the excellent instruction, programs, and opportunities that Beaconsfield students experience each day.

Your child has been transitioned to his/her new classroom today. The teachers at Beaconsfield have taken great care and deliberation in choosing the best placement for each child and they do so within a set of constraints and guiding criteria recognizing:

- Individual educational needs, appropriate social environment, individual learning styles and responses to particular learning environments
- The need for academic and social balance within and between classes, for equitable distribution of students needing special support, and for gender balance
- Requirements respecting class size averages and balances

Student safety is always a concern. We would like to gently remind you that outside supervision starts at 8:45 a.m. each school day. Please do not wait outside the classrooms before 8:55 a.m., as our teachers are busy preparing for the day or having meetings. After school, our staff members are on supervision outside until 3:15 p.m. Students are encouraged to go home after school unless they are staying for daycare, special programs and/or activities. Students are not allowed to remain on the school grounds after 3:15 p.m. unless they are under the direct supervision of a responsible adult. Please help us as we want to ensure the safety of all of our children.

Over the next few days, your child will be bringing notices and forms home to be read and signed. We need you to complete the necessary paperwork and return the signed forms and any fees to our school as soon as possible.

Thank you in advance for supporting the school's decisions in the organization of our school for the 2016-2017 year. We look forward to a fantastic year!

Joanne Dale  
Principal