



CLASS PLACEMENT POLICY

PURPOSE

To explain to our school community how we manage requests for class placements, for the following school year.

POLICY

The process that Golden Square Primary School works through to plan each student's class placement begins months before the end of the school year. We understand that in certain situations, parents and carers may like to request that their child be placed with a particular friend or in a particular class.

Requests for placement with friends

Golden Square Primary School recognises the importance of fostering and maintaining friendship groups. We also understand that it is equally important for students to mix and learn with peers who have different interests.

At the beginning of Term 4, we provide all of our current students with the chance to name five particular friends that they would like to be in a class with in the following year. We endeavour to place them with at least one of these named friends. If you would like to request that your child not be placed in a class with a particular friend or friends, please ensure that you make this request by September of the year prior so that we can consider your request in organising our classes for the following year. It is also strongly recommended that you talk with your child about the choices they will be making discussing your reasons with them where appropriate.

Requests for placement with certain teachers

All teachers at Golden Square Primary School are caring and committed educators and Golden Square Primary School strives to ensure that all students are provided with a high quality education.

Whilst we appreciate that you may consider that your child would benefit from being placed in a class with a particular teacher, we are generally unable to accommodate these requests. Our school's leadership and wellbeing teams has an in-depth understanding of each teacher's strengths and will always endeavour to place our students with teachers who are best placed to suit their needs. We do not re-allocate students to different classes during the school year, unless exceptional circumstances arise. Parents will be advised of the situation if it arises.

REVIEW CYCLE AND EVALUATION

This policy was last updated on November 17th, 2019 using the Schools Policy Template provided by the Department and is scheduled for review in November 2022.

SCHOOL COUNCIL APPROVAL OR NOTED

This policy was presented to School Council for **noting** at the meeting held on November 19th, 2019.