

August 25, 2020

Dear Parents,

We would like to take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to all of the parents and students who will be a part of the Saint Ambrose Community this year.

Mr. Sims and I are very excited about the year ahead and look forward to working with both you and your child. We feel that it is very important for you, the parents, to be involved in your child's education and we encourage you to take time to be a part of your child's learning experience on a regular basis.

Our intention is to conduct in-class instruction and interact with our students in the fashion as close as possible to pre-Covid one, while observing all the requirements of social distancing and all safety precautions. Online students will follow along on Google Classroom using the Google Meet feature. They should be able to watch us, special subject teachers, and their peers. They will be given an opportunity to participate in class by asking questions, answering questions, reading out loud and following directions. We are aware that our students at home will need parental help and supervision. We are also aware that technology might be challenging for all. We will try our best and troubleshoot if necessary! It will be a learning experience for all!

We will make every effort to keep you informed of the material and subjects that are being covered in class. **We will be sending home all homework assignments via Google Classroom starting Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>.** Your cooperation in making sure that these assignments are completed correctly and submitted on time will be a big help.

If you need to contact us, please send us an email. You may also send a note with your child. We will try to send back a reply within a 24 hour period. If you prefer to call the school office, please call 301-773-0223. Mrs. Nogay's **Google Office hours** will be on **Wednesday's 10am - 12pm**. If you wish to schedule an appointment, please let her know via email.

We hope that the coming year will be filled with success and joy for all of you. May God continue to bless you and your family during the upcoming school year!

Sincerely yours,

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