



St. Theresa School

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Dear STS Family,

It is so interesting to speak with perspective parents as they do an off-hour tour of our school! One of their big questions is: "So, what do you think about next year? Do you think you'll still have four in-person days and one remote learning day each week?" My answer is always the same: "My hope, my PRAYER is that we can be in-person five days a week next year, with after school activities and Sports and family involvement, etc." At least that's my hope and that's what we're planning for, but we all need to keep doing our part to make this a reality.

With that in mind there are two aspects of our present reality that I would like to remind you of:

- Thank you for, and please continue to communicate to us any possible Covid exposures. Yes, it will trigger a standard quarantine response, but it IS necessary to ensure the health and safety of all our children (and teachers and staff, too).
- A reminder that as we get closer to Easter and our Spring break, STS has adopted the policy that anyone who travels out of our immediate area (NJ, NY, CT & PA) must quarantine 14 days before returning to school from the date of their return to NJ. Thank you for your cooperation with this, too.

Now onto our week ahead:

- Thank you to all those who helped our children celebrate "Read Across America" Week. Believe it or not, everything we do here at STS has a reason, and when we foster events like "Read Across America" the reason is to help our children, young and old, have a greater appreciation for learning and, in this case, for reading.
- This week coming up we will be having a Cereal Food Drive to help our needy brothers and sisters in the Lord. We appreciate whatever you can do to help and we will be donating all the cereal to our St. Theresa's Food Pantry. Once we have received all the cereal boxes, we will bring them down to the main hallway and prepare a domino-effect trail of cereal boxes that we will live-stream into all the classrooms. I think the children will enjoy it.

I think something close to a miracle has happened and this weekly letter is only one page! Nonetheless, have a wonderful week. Stay safe and healthy.

God bless!

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