



July 19, 2021

Dear St. Stephen families,

I hope that you are enjoying your summer thus far. As we prepare for the new academic year, the Archdiocese is also preparing their guidelines for how we will come back to school in the fall. They have not sent out any information thus far, and the principals are not expecting any news until early August.

At this time, once again, I would like to thank all of you for your support during the past school year. I cannot express how proud I am of the students at St. Stephen School. They were resilient throughout the year, and they were ready to work both when we went remote and when we returned to school. I learned a great deal from the students this year, and I am confident that they will be stronger for having lived through this unusual experience. They were my inspiration and strength.

After many days and nights of prayer and discernment, and having spoken with Fr. John, I will be leaving St. Stephen School. As difficult as it was for me to come to this conclusion, I will not be returning to St. Stephen. I have contacted Mr. Joe Monte to act as interim principal until a new person is hired.

Mr. Monte has been the principal before; he is familiar with the community and some of the students may remember him from the past. I am confident that St. Stephen will be in good hands with him at the helm. I will have all of you in my thoughts and prayers.

Thank you and God bless,

Mrs. Christine Vaughan