



Dear Parents,

We are ending our first week of “home schooling.” By now you should have heard from your children’s teachers. Assignments and websites have been posted on the portal for grades 3 - 8, and in the upper grades in Google classroom. Primary grade students have packets that came home and communications from the teachers about websites. Speaking to the teachers, I am hearing that students are working, completing assignments and things are progressing.

Please keep in mind that this is an ever changing endeavor. The teachers are still working out how best to deliver instruction, assignments and help you work with your children. The most important thing in the younger grades is to keep them reading, read with them, and have them read to you. Practice math facts and work on skills on some of the websites teachers have listed. Upper grade students have assignments and deadlines, so they can actually follow a schedule.

Also important, is to monitor what they are doing, particularly on the google classrooms. Comments posted are visible to all. If a comment wouldn’t be acceptable in the classroom, it is not acceptable online. Common courtesy and appropriate digital citizenship should still be the norm.

As you know, we have postponed Trivia Night. We have also postponed the Rita Ahearn Golf Tournament. The new date for that is September 28. Tomorrow we will pull the raffle drawing on Facebook Live in the early afternoon. Look for the results on Facebook, and we will also send out the results by email.

I wish I could tell you when we will be back at school. But as you know from the news each day, it doesn’t sound like it will be soon. The most important thing we can do is to stay calm, follow the CDC guidelines and keep our children safe and happy. If you are having any issues accessing the materials on the portal or the google sites, please contact me. We have enough to worry about right now, we don’t want to add more stress to anyone.

The weather is getting nice, so make sure the kids are getting outside. Nature walks make a great science lesson, and make everyone feel better! And remember to take the time for daily prayers.

Stay safe, healthy and smile. We will get through this!

God Bless,
Doris Messina