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Dear SRGS Parents:

I hope this letter finds you well and enjoying the month of August with your family. I want to thank you for your wholehearted support in cooperating with us. As we get closer to the beginning of school we would like to fill you in on our progress with preparations for a smooth opening. As mentioned in the previous letter our plan is fluid and we continue to build upon it. First of all, I would like to welcome Mr. Robert Zampella, our new seventh and eighth grade math teacher, as well as Ms. Emily Tiernan and Mrs. Cheryl Volpe in the third grade. We are looking forward to bringing their instructional talents and faith into our school community. Also, please welcome Mrs. Karen Powner to second grade, Mrs. Colleen Reilly to fifth grade and Mrs. Suzanne Schuster to a combined pre-k 3/4 as we continue to accommodate changing enrollment.

Our preparations for a five day in person instructional day is so popular that we now have a waitlist in nearly every grade level. We've also been busy removing unnecessary classroom furniture that takes up space to the point that we can social distance by six feet in nearly every classroom. All desks will have tri-fold sneeze guards as well. Some classrooms that have tables will have plexiglass barriers in addition to tri fold sneeze guards to assist in social distancing. Of course, students are still required to wear masks by the state government mandate. Our teachers are already providing space in their plans for mask breaks outdoors in addition to lunch/recess breaks at various times. Even our daily and nightly cleaning routines are in order to wipe down surfaces and sanitize each classroom in the evening with disinfectant spray on a backpack resembling something out of Ghostbusters! Another outside company will be hired to do a deep cleaning as well.

On the instructional side, we have made great strides as well. Our IT team has tested and chosen the best option to present a live classroom experience for those who are required to stay at home and learn remotely. Each classroom will have a network camera focused on the teacher and white board in addition to Bluetooth microphones for proper audio transmission while attending to others in the classroom and at home. The student can participate via their at home tablet in a Google Meet. This will place ourselves in a smooth transition if we are required to toggle into an entire virtual classroom if mandated by the state government and health agencies. Moreover, this will allow the teacher to become the instructor in her own classroom learning pod during remote instructional time. As always, we will begin and end our day in prayer in keeping with our Catholic faith. We look forward to our daily religious studies and our live streamed first Friday Mass as well.

In order for our students to get acquainted with the surroundings and new protocol, **we have decided to spread out our Meet and Greet over three days on September 1, 2, and 3rd** so they can practice lining up outside on a marked social distance designation before having a quick temperature check upon entering the building. This will be an opportunity for the teachers to provide you with an orientation outside while allowing the children to settle in their personal space and be ready for a post Labor Day start inside. Please see the separate schedule followed by a letter from your homeroom teacher at a later date detailing the morning. It's going to take a lot of

practice, but we would ask you to do the same with habitual handwashing and proper hygiene at home. Most importantly, we need to trust that you make the right decision to keep your child home if you suspect an illness. Also, we would appreciate knowing if you are choosing to partake in virtual instruction by August 21, 2020 and committing to a trimester.

As more information evolves, we will keep you posted on School Messenger reminders with any other pertinent information.

Peace in Christ,  
Mr. Guito

**Meet & Greet Schedule**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Monday 08/31</b>	<b>Tuesday 09/01</b>	<b>Wednesday 09/02</b>	<b>Thursday 09/03</b>	<b>Friday 09/04</b>
9:00am		PreK 3	3A	6A	
10:00am		PreK 4	3B	6B	
11:00am	No School	Kindergarten	4A	7A	No School
12:00pm		1A	4B	7B	
1:00pm		2A	5A	8A	
2:00pm		2B	5B	8B	