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Subject: FW: Thursday Letter



Dear Parents,

Everybody loves a parade, right?? So we have decided to have a car parade at school! (With physical distancing and all other health measures in place, of course). Next **Wednesday, April 29th**, we invite all families to jump in your cars and come see us between **11:00 AM and Noon**. The school staff will be excitedly spread out around the perimeter of the back parking lot, waiting to see your smiling faces! Come and say hello, wave from your car, and feel connected as a school community. Dress up and be silly if you like, heck – dress up your car! It's all in an effort to feel connected.

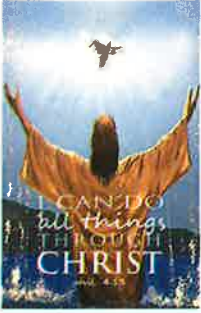
More details will come early next week. Please know that this is an **optional activity for families**, as we certainly don't want parents to feel they need to take time off work to bring their children. And because we know how generous and kind our parent community is, please note that we are regrettably unable to accept gifts of any kind (children's drawings/artwork, tokens of appreciation, food, etc.) Please just share your happy smiles and greetings with us – that's enough to fill our hearts with joy!

Hope you can join us!

Yours in faith,

Maureen Moorehead.

*****A special thank you to Mrs. Dos Santos, and all the staff, for putting together this very special picture message for all our students and their families. We miss you!!*****



Then Jesus said, "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

Interim Progress Report – Your child's interim report will be sent home tomorrow, Friday, April 24th. **Delivery of this report will be via email beginning at 4:00 pm.** Keep in mind that reports need to be emailed one at a time, so your child's report may not arrive right at 4:00 pm.

St. Paul Car Parade! – Wednesday, April 29th from 11:00 am to Noon. See Principal's Message above for more details. Further details to come next week.

Join us Live for School Mass on Youtube – Please join us next **Thursday, April 30th at 11:00 am** for a livestream school Mass. We invite all families to join the St. Paul Parish YouTube channel next Thursday (a link will be sent next week for those who haven't accessed it yet) as we come together as a school community to celebrate Mass. Join us!

Zoom Update - As of yesterday morning, the most recent announcement for when the Ministry-approved version of the Zoom conferencing platform for independent schools is "early next week". Public Districts were able to begin using the Ministry-approved Zoom this week because negotiations were made for public districts first. Negotiations are being finalized for independent schools this week, and we hope to have it in place soon. Thank you for your patience.

Refund of Hot lunch and Pro-rated Activity Fees – Each family will be refunded the payments that were made for hot lunch orders between now and the end of the year, and a portion of the Activity Fee that is paid for each child at the beginning of the year will also be prorated and refunded as well. Both these amounts will be deposited into your bank account once our online banking process is up and running, which will be by April 30th at the latest.

St. Paul Parish LIVE is up and running! Subscribe to the parish's new youtube channel for notifications and easier access, so you can participate in daily Mass. https://m.youtube.com/channel/UCWkNwdTiiqEQ46qv4dE2khw?fbclid=IwAR3rnmux0BrM6UveFvgOd50q1m3hJPACAb0DC3O2fn_P09n2xtXUY1URi68

St. Paul Summer Camp 2020 – Thank you for the wonderful response over spring break to the registration in the parish's St. Paul Summer 2020 camps. Registration is still open – just email stpaulsummer2020@gmail.com to register. At this time we are not cancelling the camps, as we will wait to see how things play out over the next two months. If you have paid, we will not cash any cheques until a decision is made, and if you haven't sent payment yet you may do so when we know if the camps will go ahead. Thank you.