

May 8, 2020

Dear Hegarty Family,

I want to wish the teachers of Francis X. Hegarty a Happy Teacher Appreciation Week. I am so lucky to work with a wonderful group of professionals who go above and beyond for their students. I know they put in countless hours of planning, keeping in contact with families as well as creating a sense of community within the Island Park School District. Together, we appreciate having your greatest gifts, the students of Hegarty Elementary School.

It has been so nice seeing the children during the Google Meets. I am just as excited as they are to see everyone! This is a time that none of us could have ever anticipated or planned for. I want to send a great big "thank you" to our parents and families who are doing their best to assist the children with online learning. I understand the complexity of working from home or out in the field as a health care worker or first responder while trying to attend to the needs of our families. I am so appreciative of everything you have done to help the children complete their daily assignments.

As a reminder to all Pre-k through grade four students, please send in your artwork to Mrs. Horn, via e-mail to participate in our Virtual Art Show. The last day for student entries is May 15th. This is going to be a show to remember.

I want to wish a Happy Mother's Day to all of our Hegarty moms. Your dedication during this very demanding time is greatly appreciated. I am grateful to you for all that you have done to maintain our home-school connection for the benefit of your child(ren) throughout the school year and especially during these past several weeks since schools have been closed.

Be sure to check my principal page for daily updates and news. I am looking forward to seeing the Teacher Appreciation slideshow that will be posted on the district website this week. I want to thank the children for sending their letters of appreciation to our teachers. I also want to thank Ms. Appel and Mr. Giardino for arranging this presentation.

We are Hegarty Strong!

Ms. Cameron