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*Parent Letter #11 Remote Learning*

Dear P.S./M.S.71 Families,

Our school community continues to miss being back at our school building. We miss teaching and learning inside our classrooms and we miss the social interactions with your children each day. I hope you are healthy and safe and that both you and your child are making the necessary adjustments to succeed in a virtual Remote Learning world. Please know that our teachers and staff are available to support you and your child in any way we can to make the remaining weeks of school positive and successful.

As we conclude week 8 of Remote Learning, I would like to share some updates and information in regards to teaching and learning and inform you of some May parent engagement opportunities. In the weeks ahead, our school-wide goal is to offer many opportunities for students to interact and engage with their teachers and classmates in purposeful and meaningful ways. In addition, to the recorded lessons and assignments posted on Google Classroom, teachers have begun exploring different ways to engage students in live sessions via Google Meet. The purpose of the live sessions is to lift the level of student engagement and provide opportunities for students to interact with their teachers and classmates during Remote Learning.

Our teachers have the flexibility to design these live sessions in ways that they feel will benefit students and support Remote Learning. These weekly sessions may include: whole group mini-lessons, targeted small group instruction to teach strategies or address misconceptions, guided practice, share-out sessions to celebrate student work or projects, and/or office hours.

I am including a student friendly link for students and families to watch a short video on Google Meet Etiquette. Please be mindful that when students join a Google Meet live, they are to come dressed appropriately, especially as the weather gets warmer, do their best to stay focused and attentive, and be ready to participate in the Remote Learning Session.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y5px2MScPTA>

Our May Parent Engagement Calendar has already been shared with families. There are many May events planned to keep families informed and engaged with various members of our school community. Our Reading Spirit Week, live read aloud session in pajamas, and Math and Literacy Scavenger Hunts were a huge success. We had a great turn out and our students had lots of fun.

Upcoming May Live Events via Google Meet:

- 5/18<sup>th</sup> Support for Students with IEPs during Remote Learning @ 2:00 pm; PTA Meeting @6:30 via Google Meet
- 5/19 Supporting your Child with Reading Skills & Reading Options Workshop @ 10:00 am via Google Meet
- 5/29 “Home Schooling During a Pandemic,” with Ms. McMorrow and Ms. Triano @ 10:00 am via Google Meet

We hope you will join us for these informational parent engagement events.

As always, thank you for being partners in your child’s education.

Sincerely,

Margaret Mirando  
Principal

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