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Dear Second Grade Parents,

I hope that this letter finds you and your families happy and healthy! I know that this has been a difficult time, and I would like you to know that the students and families of St. Catharine's are in my heart and my prayers! I have truly missed seeing each of the children at school, and I hope that they are spending their days learning, playing, exploring, and enjoying their time with you.

I am reaching out to touch base about a few nursing related updates pertaining to this school year. As you may recall, hearing screenings were completed for the second graders. Letters were sent home at that time, but please contact me if you have any questions regarding this information. Also, heights and weights were measured earlier in the year, and your child's BMI (Body Mass Index) was calculated. I had planned to send these results home by mail because of the sensitivity of results (rather than home in folders); but given the circumstances, I prefer not to add to the circulation of physical mail at this time. If you have questions regarding your child's BMI results, please contact me via email. Vision screenings were also completed shortly before the abrupt closing of school. I apologize that I was not able to send letters or contact you with these results prior to that time. I will be contacting parents of students who may have struggled a bit with this screening very soon. If you have not heard from me by June 5, 2020; you can assume that your child has passed his or her vision screening. That being said, if your child is having vision related problems, please contact his or her doctor. This basic screening is not intended to replace a medical evaluation by a doctor if warranted. If you have specific questions, please feel free to email me!

Each Pennsylvania student entering third grade is required to provide a record of a dental exam having taken place in the past year. Any visit having occurred after **July 1, 2019** will fulfill this requirement. I certainly do not wish to add to your stress, as I understand that not all offices are operating as usual at this time. We will work together to do the best we can moving forward. I do encourage you to maintain routine physical and dental well visits for your child once the current situation allows. As always, physical and dental forms can be printed directly from the SCS website. Completed forms can be emailed to me at any time, or faxed to school at (610) 779-6888.

Please continue to check the "Nurse's Corner" on our school website, as well as the page dedicated to your child's grade for updates throughout the summer. Also, please feel free to contact me via email at any time with any questions or concerns that you may have.

I wish you and your child a very *happy, healthy, and carefree* summer! I look forward to seeing all of you again very soon! Until then, please be well and take good care of yourselves and each other.

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