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Dear First 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 just wanted to reach out and touch base on some nursing related updates pertaining to this school year. Unfortunately, along with everyone else's, some of my plans were cut short due to the closing of school. I regret that I was not able to complete vision screenings for our first graders this spring. My plan is to begin next year's screenings with the students that were unable to be screened this year. I was, however, able to complete hearing screenings. 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 feel free to contact me via email.

Here's a break for you...there are no required dental or physical forms due upon entry into second grade! I do, of course, encourage you to maintain routine physical and dental well visits for your child once the current situation allows. Please keep in mind that any dental visit occurring after July 1, 2020 will fulfill your child's **third** grade dental visit requirement. As always, physical and dental forms can be printed directly from the SCS website.

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 for the remainder of the school year. 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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