

March 17, 2020

Dear Lower School Families,

As we begin our Spring Break, I am certain that it will be unique. It provides you the opportunity to spend time with your children in a special way enjoying lots of time together without the normal rush. Mrs. Soderberg [wrote to you](#) about our professional development day last Friday. Part of the day in the Lower School was spent preparing some of the materials all 3YO-Grade 5 students will need during our online learning. These items are in one large ziplock bag that you will be able to come and collect from school in the coming days. I recognize that some families may currently be away so I have scheduled one pickup time the day we begin our online learning.

Below are the directions for picking up your child's materials:

- Place a piece of paper in the passenger front window with your child's last name and section written in large letters, and we will bring it to your car. *Please do not get out of your car as we have to maintain the minimum number of people in contact with each other.*
- Using the carline we use for Morning Dropoff and Afternoon Pickup (just in front of the lower school main doors), you will receive the materials all in one large ziplock bag from Paul, Brelle or me.
- After you collect your bag, simply head back home. The lower school buildings are closed and unavailable to enter (the hallways are being painted over break).

The following days and times are available for your materials to be picked up:

- **Tuesday, March 17, from 4:30-7:00 p.m.**
- **Wednesday, March 18, from 7:30-9:00 a.m. and 5:30-6:30 p.m.**
- **Sunday, March 29, from 10:00-11:00 a.m.**

To help make the traffic flow run smoothly, please complete [this form](#) so we can have your bag ready when you pull up.

While I understand the interest and desire to get started with some of the workbooks and other materials included in the bag, please do not begin any work until our online program begins on Monday, March 30. For those looking for some activities, please follow [this link](#) for a few your child (and you) may enjoy. Here is also [an article](#) I read that helps frame the situation in which we all find ourselves.

We will be rolling out our online learning program to you on March 30, and I will be in contact with families before then with additional information. But for now, please enjoy this time taking hikes, playing board games, reading and enjoying time with your family! As always, thank you for your support.

Warm Regards,
Mark