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Dear Families,

I hope you are well during these challenging times. If you or someone you know has been affected by COVID-19 we hope they are improving. The virus is dangerous and has everyone on edge.

As I am sure you have all been informed at this point, NYC schools will remain closed for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. I'm sure this comes as a shock to many of you. We all know the reasons for this, so I won't need to delve into those particulars. What I can tell you, is our faculty has been ready since this crisis started. Our school already had an advantage because the majority of our teachers were utilizing Google Classrooms, prior to the pandemic. For those that weren't, now they are. We have a dedicated staff who understand the seriousness of this situation and are working tirelessly to provide a meaningful learning experience via remote/virtual learning, from their homes. It is not easy for my staff either.

We have created a survey for families to complete. This survey will come as a link in a separate email. Please look out for it and complete ASAP. This will give us a sense of how you are feeling and the challenges you are facing in this new reality. My staff and I will do our best to assist you. I encourage you to visit our schools website daily (www.ms202q.org). Become comfortable with navigating the site. We make updates daily. The DOE has targeted assistance for parents on a wide range of topics found on our page and on the DOE website at:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1G-E_6qL_c8BiLjrLXYBfghsLdxSHzWqBvCVweZPhewE/htmlview

You will also find links to these offerings by visiting our school website.

We are in the process of planning for the long term school year. Some of you have already reached out with questions and concerns and kind words. I encourage you to continue letting us know what's on your mind. Myself and the AP for each grade, with their respective team, are filtering your questions and getting back to you.

As we approach week five of Remote learning, it's important to reflect on what is working and what needs to be modified. I want to assure you I will be meeting regularly with staff to review our current status and make adjustments as needed for the remainder of the year.

My plan moving forward is to continue updating families once a week, through a letter or a phone message on Sunday evening.

Stay well. Stay safe.

William Fitzgerald
Principal