



St. Vincent de Paul School

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Dear Families,

I found the Serenity Prayer to be comforting today. Trying to plan for the start of school with so much changing on weekly/daily basis with COVID-19, I need to remember that some things are out of our control. We can only do our best to be ready to open safely and be ready to move to remote learning as needed.



What's happening?

July

The school office will be open on Wednesdays, 9-noon.

Scrip Gift Cards

- Scrip gift cards available in the office on days that we are open.
- This is a great way to support the school and get head start on next year's fundraising.
- With this fundraiser you aren't ask to buy something extra. You are just ask to pay for things a little differently.
- Don't forget, you can buy scrip online, too!

After sending my note last week, I have received inquiries from two families wondering if there is an option for remote learning if we open the 20-21 school year in-person. Since teachers cannot do in-person teaching all day and full-time remote learning at the same time, what might a "limited" form of remote learning look like? I am talking to the teachers about this possibility and will report back to you next week.

I would like to have a more realistic idea of the number of families who would prefer opening safely in-person or with remote learning and who would prefer "limited" remote learning if we open in-person. Please take a few minutes to complete this three question survey by Monday, July 27th. Here is the link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1aj3FM8iMG97cPYNLDu3alH1O-xzScfr4FQO45tA6B1o/edit>

I am applying today for a grant for Swivl cameras for teachers. If we open in-person, these cameras would make it possible for any students working from home to view direct instruction and stay connected to the class while not over burdening the teacher. Swivls would also allow teachers to more easily conduct and share direct instruction with all students should we move to full remote learning.

I will keep you posted about our fall plans as we move through the next several weeks. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to me.

We are in the office on Wednesdays during July and back in the office for regular hours on August 5.

St. Vincent de Paul, pray for us.

With my love and prayers,

Wanda

