

**PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**: First and foremost, I want to express my appreciation and gratitude for your support during a time we never thought imaginable. While we persevered and maintained some sense of "normalcy" for our students, without all of your help, this could not be done. I want to commend our staff for being diligent in maintaining daily routines and preparing At Home Learning Plans to keep our students' academic learning positive. Thank you to our School One Families who continued to work with their children daily to provide routines and complete assignments.

I want to recognize our office staff who have maintained business as usual to the best of their ability, and finally to our custodial staff for making our building clean and safe when we are given the green light to return. I never doubted that our community could come together and do our absolute best to not only keep our students, staff, and families safe, but maintain calm and keep productive during a time of chaos. For that I am indebted to you all.

Even though many of our March events were unfortunately canceled, I do want to recognize a few that took place. The PTA Huga Tuga Reading Assembly, the PTA Science Fair, and the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Bingo Event were all a huge success. Thank you to the PTA chairs for preparing for these events. Our 4<sup>th</sup> Graders visited Park Middle School which gave them a glimpse of what 5<sup>th</sup> grade will look like for them come September. Last but not least, the Kids Care Club Share a Sandwich Collection generated a total of 78 sandwiches that were counted, sorted, and delivered to St. Josephs Social Service Center in Elizabeth which came at a most needed time. Thank you to our School One Staff and Families for the donations and support.

While April will be a busy month with At Home Learning, we expect that Spring Recess will provide our students and staff an opportunity to reflect on their recent experiences and spend some additional quality time with family. Please remember to follow all safety guidelines and I hope that everyone remains healthy during this time.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION: Families with kindergarten aged children are asked to please visit our district website at <u>https://www.spfk12.org</u> for information regarding registration and required forms. Appointments are required.

**NEW REGISTRANTS:** Parents of children in Grades 1 through 4 who will be enrolling at School One in September and were enrolled in private or parochial schools this year are urged to contact the Main Office at this time. This is particularly important for children entering our first-grade program. <u>Children</u> registering for first grade must be at least 6 years of age on or before October 1, 2020. If you know of a family in your neighborhood with children entering School One in the fall, please convey this information to them. Please contact Mrs. O'Brien at <u>cobrien@spfk12.org</u> or (908) 322-7731 Ext. 1802 for further details.