

Dear Parents,

I hope that you are doing the best you can with the craziness that is around us. Staying healthy is the priority.

Trying to look ahead and predict when we will be able to resume life as normal is difficult as you well know. At this time we are sorry to say, with the current restrictions in place, we will not be able to open our campus again for school next week as we originally hoped.

Prince of Peace will continue using remote learning through Thursday, April 9, 2020. April 10th we are off for Good Friday and then April 13-17th is Easter Break. The plan is to open the campus on April 20th. This is in alignment with Governor Newsom's "stay at home" directive and the Anaheim Public Schools. We will continue to monitor the Health Department and let you know if anything changes. For the safety of all, we urge everyone to please follow all health agencies and government officials' instructions.

Since this is going on longer than we first predicted, the teachers are looking into a variety of ways to help to continue to educate your students. Your teachers are working really hard. I stopped at school yesterday and 4 of them were there working (alone in their own classrooms, of course). Please know that they pray for you continually and care about you and your children. They will help in any way they can. Please contact them by email if you need help.

I know that you may be struggling with trying to get everything done at home. My daughter, who is a trained teacher, was telling me the struggles she is experiencing with her 3 children. Please know that the most important thing right now is caring for each other. The lessons are provided to help the students be able to grow in their learning, but don't let trying to get lessons accomplished ruin your day or give you all stress. We will all get through this together. Encourage your children to read daily, and read with them.

Through all of this we know that God is in charge. "We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."
Romans 8:28

Hoping to see you all soon!!! I love you all and miss you!

Please call me if I can help you in **any way**.

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I found this letter that I thought fit my thoughts about now.

Dear Parents,

It's okay. We have this. I wish you could peek and see what your children's teachers are doing right now. You do not need to go out and purchase a curriculum. You do not need to find apps and assignments for them. That's our job. Yes, you'll need to help your kids through it, but we are still here to teach them. You might see so many emails and advertisements telling you how to homeschool your child now. You may feel pressure to make a schedule, or suddenly be an expert on math. You don't. You aren't alone.

You have trusted your children to our care for many years. You can trust us now. It may look like our support is gone. It isn't. We're working very hard to bring your child what he or she needs.

Just hug them and tell them you love them. Tell them we love them. Play with them. Joke with them. Sure have them read, or even write a little.

We're still here. We're still your village.

Love,
Teachers

Sent from my iPad

