

September 3, 2020

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2020-21 school year, a year different from all others. After six months we are finally returning to school.

Our daily schedule and entrance into the building has been adjusted to meet the demands of New York State and the CDC.

**(All information and directions for Pre K 3 and Pre K 4 will come from Ms. Kristina) St. Thomas Aquinas Distant Learning Academy will send their own information)**

The first three days, Wednesday, Sept. 9 – Friday, Sept.11<sup>th</sup> will be half days with dismissal at 12:00pm. Students will come in **only one of the three days** according to the following:

Wednesday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> - Gr. 6, 7, and 8 ONLY

Thursday, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> - Gr. 3, 4, and 5 ONLY

Friday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> - Kdg., Gr. 1 and 2 ONLY

**ALL students come in beginning Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup> with dismissal at 1:30pm every day.**

The following doors will be used and students can be brought up to the **gate** and can be met at the **gate** at dismissal (1:30 pm) according to the following **to avoid gathering in the school yard: Temperatures will be taken, cannot be above 100F. No one will be admitted to the building before 7:30am.**

Stairway to the basement	Gr. 8	7:30 am (gate nearest church)
Main entrance door :	Gr. 5 & 6	7:30am (gate nearest church)
92 St. door towards Rockaway Blvd.	Gr. 7	7:30am
92 St. door towards Rockaway Blvd.	Gr. 1 & 3	7:45 am
92 St. door towards parking lot	Gr. K & 2	7:45 am

**VISITORS/PARENTS** are not permitted in the school building. If you have business with the office, please call Ms. Mary 718-845-3074 #3;

**OFFICE HOURS:** next Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, Sept. 8-11, after 8:15 am when students are settled in their classrooms/ after dismissal or Tuesday, Sept. 8, 12:00-2:00pm. During our regular scheduled days after 8:15 am and 1:45pm. This is to avoid contact with the students.

**STUDENT SUPPLIES:** Please add to the supply lists found on the website: a bottle of hand soap, a plastic bin (24”L, 16”W, 14”H), anything comparable or ZIPLOC extra large storage bags (these will be used for the students to keep books and supplies that do not fit into their desks – they will not be using cubbies or shelves to avoid contact with others. I know supplies in stores are limited so you can send an 18 gal. plastic ( in a plastic baggies marked with the student’s name) these are for use with the electronic devices.

Supplies can be dropped off Tuesday, Sept. 8 – 12:00 to 2:00 or the next three days after dismissal. You will need to have supplies in a bag, marked with the student’s name. Call the office when outside the main door and someone will come for them. (This is again to avoid too many people coming into the building) If your child is capable of carrying his/her supplies to school they can bring it with them. Supplies should be in by Monday, Sept. 14.

**UNIFORMS:** a face mask is part of the uniform now and must be worn. During September, students may wear the gym shirt/school polo with the gym shorts/uniform shorts. Otherwise the school uniform polo or white shirt with jumper/skirt (gr. 6 – 8) for the girls and uniform polo/white shirt with blue pants for boys Gr. K – 5 and gray pants boys Gr. 6 – 8. School shoes are Girls: blue/black tie/Velcro shoes with thick rubber sole or shoe with strap at the ankle; Boys: black tie/Velcro shoes. Gr. 5 -8 may have slip on loafers no sneakers or walking shoes. A doctor’s note is needed for exemptions.

At the present time there are no after school programs.

Sister Francis Marie

