

Here are your updates for the week ending Friday, May 15, 2020

Registration Snapcode Emails: There are still approximately 40 students who have not done their Bio Update through the Online Enrollment Portal. All Snapcode Emails were re-sent this morning to any family who has not completed this step. ***Please be aware that these emails are NOT coming from a sttaob.com email address, but from noreplyregistration@powerschool.com.*** More information regarding registration is below.

Harmony Foods Refunds: Anyone who ordered lunch during the month of March will receive a credit for the next school year. Harmony Foods will be sending refunds to all students in Grade 8. If your child is in a lower grade and will NOT be returning to St. Thomas in September, please email harmonyfoods@outlook.com to request a refund.

Memorial Day Weekend: St. Thomas the Apostle School and Offices will be closed on Friday, May 22, and Monday, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day. There will be no classes taking place on those days. Enjoy the long weekend!

End of Year Calendar: As per Governor Murphy's announcement, our distance learning will continue through the end of the school year. We are in the process of putting plans in place for the remainder of the year (8th Grade Graduation, textbook/Chromebook return, etc.), and as soon as things are finalized we will send you the information. The guidelines from the state are changing daily, which is making planning a challenge. We hope to have a calendar for the remainder of the year sent out in the next week or so. Thank you for your patience.

Diocesan Surveys: Next Monday we will be sending out surveys to all parents and students in grades 3-8 that have been created by the Diocese regarding Distance Learning. The teachers will be providing the surveys to the students, and I will be sending them to the parents. Please be on the lookout for them on Monday, and all surveys must be completed by Thursday, May 21.

2020-2021 Registration: Please be sure that you have completed your Bio Updates through the online enrollment portal. All returning families MUST complete a Bio Update for their child(ren) through the online PowerSchool Enrollment Portal, in addition to completing and returning your forms. Also, please keep in mind that all forms can (and should!) be uploaded directly to the portal so you should not need to send any paperwork into school. This Enrollment Portal is different from your update on Smart Tuition. If you have any questions regarding registration, please contact us at registration@sttaob.com. Also, any families who are registering younger siblings for the first time need to use the New Student Enrollment Portal. If you need either of these links, please contact us through the registration email as well. Finally, all required forms can be found on the school website in the Forms drop-down menu.

Virtual Learning Schedule: Please continue to check the teacher's websites and the school webpage for updates and assignments, and contact the teacher directly if you have questions regarding an assignment. It is VERY IMPORTANT that all students check into their homeroom each morning and attend and participate in EVERY class, including their specials. All participation and assignments will be counting towards their grade and attendance for the class.

Parish Masses: The link for all live streamed masses can be found at <http://www.saintthomasob.com/>

- **WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE:** Parish Masses are live streamed on the following schedule:
 - Monday-Friday at 12:15 PM
 - Saturday at 4:00 PM
 - Sunday at 10:30 AM and 12:00 PM

The Parish and School Offices are closed so no one is available to accept things that are dropped off, therefore regular mail or email is still the best way to contact us. Someone checks the mail at least once each week so if you have anything that needs to go to the office, please mail it to:

St. Thomas the Apostle School, 333 State Highway 18, Old Bridge, NJ 08857

We hope that everyone is safe and healthy. If you need to contact anyone on the staff, please continue to use email as the school and office will remain closed. We continue to pray for all of our St. Thomas family, especially those who are ill during this time. Have a wonderful weekend!