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Dear VSCA Families,

We are excited to be adding some activities to our school schedule! None of these are mandatory, but we hope they are events that your child will enjoy. Below you will find the schedule. As always, we will be flexible as we roll out these activities.

As previously mentioned, we have been working with Bethlehem Assembly of God to secure new Graduation and Awards Assembly dates should we not return to school by the end of June. Please save Saturday, July 25, 2020. Our Kindergarten graduation and K-5 awards ceremony will take place at 10 am. Our 12th grade Graduation and 6-12th awards ceremony will take place at 1:30. Should social distancing STILL be in enforcement, these ceremonies will be done virtually, but if possible will include live streaming of our Senior Graduation. We are grateful to Bethlehem for working alongside of us and committing to do whatever it takes to bring the best experience to our families.

Next week we were to have our annual K-11 standardized testing. Given the current circumstances we, along with the majority of schools across the nation, have chosen to NOT give these assessments. We are thankful that our teachers were permitted to return to their classrooms to get their practice test copies. This will help them to keep each grade moving forward with grade level work.

Next week, report cards are scheduled to go out to our families. We, along with other educators have grappled with the appropriate way to grade our students during what has been called "Crisis schooling." This pandemic has affected each of us in different ways. To be honest, I have heard a few who have not felt affected at all, however those individuals are few and far between. We cannot begin to know the current struggles, nor the future struggles of each of our families. We believe that everyone is doing their best. To that end, we are going to follow the lead of our counterparts and not allow ANY student to receive a failing grade for the 3rd, and if need be, 4th quarter. As an educator, this was a difficult decision. Unfortunately, we have a few (very few, I might add) students who may seek to take advantage of this news, but we believe it is our responsibility to err on the side of mercy. We encourage you to continue to monitor your child's progress, especially making sure that they have completed their assignments.

I want to remind you that we are here for you. There is now a link, "Prayer Requests," on our website, where you can share your prayer needs and praise reports. You can also continue to do so privately, by reaching out to me, Mrs. Shanhai, or Ms. Adams. Also, if you are facing financial hardship due to our current situation, PLEASE do not hesitate to contact Ms. Shanhai at sshanhai@vscaschool.org.

If you are growing weary, look to the One who created you, the One who knows what you need, even before you ask, the Author and Finisher of your faith. He will NEVER leave you nor forsake you.

To God Be the Glory!

Leslie Fowley

ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

Kindergarten and 1st Grade Story time-- Tuesday, 3 pm.

2nd and 3rd Grade Story Time--Thursdays at 11:30 am

4th grade Game Time-- 1st and 3rd Friday of each month at 12:00 pm

5th Grade Game Time-2nd and 4th Friday of each month at 12:00 pm

2nd -5th grade Drawing and Doodle --Time Monday at 3pm

3rd -8th Grades The Creative Club --every Friday at 3 pm

6-8th grade Poetry Club. --Wednesdays at 3 pm

6-8th Grade Game Time --2nd and 4th --Thursday of each month at 2:45 pm

9th -12th Grade Game Time-- 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 2:45 pm

Virtual Praise and Worship (Open Mic) with Brandon Tranquille --Tuesdays at 3 pm

All classes will receive Zoom IDs and Passwords in their ENGLISH (Reading for K-5th) Lesson Plans on RenWeb

This schedule is subject to change should there be additional class Zoom classes or other activities.

Let's stay in contact and have some fun!