

Message to Parents delivered via School Messenger March 19, 2020

Parents,

To let you know, our school, and most importantly, your child's teacher(s) are preparing for the delivery of learning activities for your child during the school closure in the coming weeks. We know the importance of progressing in their knowledge and education. Many of our teachers, if not all, have already provided their families learning enrichment activities this week and we hope this has been a good, productive enterprise. In addition, this afternoon, there will be a collaborative meeting of all elementary schools in the County, spearheaded by Tuolumne County Schools, to discuss and design extended learning opportunities for our students, for the duration of the school cancellation.

On a side note, I have a thought that is just as important as 'schooling from home'. We acknowledge this is a very stressful and fearful time for our community and our world. Don't let that stop you from enjoying this time to build a stronger bond with the ones you love. During this time, find activities that you all can do together. Teach your child valuable life skills you have learned. Read together, maybe even start a family book club. Plant a garden. Learn a new recipe in the kitchen or teach your child how the stock market works. Teach them a vocational skill. If you don't know how, learn together online. Whatever you choose, do it together.

During this weird moment in time, no matter how troubling it is, you have the opportunity to make it a wonderful experience. Oddly enough, in the face of this uncertainty, it may turn out to be the most memorable experience of their childhood, that they look back on fondly.

Stay safe and we will see you soon,

Chris Boyles
Principal