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Memo From: Sr. Margaret Mancuso and Sr. Marlene Pape
Memo To: Parents and Guardians
Subject: COVID Case
Date: Tuesday, April 20, 2021

During this morning's COVID screening tests, one of the students in Mrs. Simpson's room tested positive for COVID. The student was isolated at that point and then sent home. Per privacy guidelines, we can share no additional identifying information.

The Monroe County Health Department will conduct the needed contact tracing. With the increasing number of COVID cases in the county right now, the Health Department has a large volume of cases to handle for contact tracing. Rather than wait for tracing to begin, we are going to be proactive in order to keep all children and staff healthy. We feel it is best to have the second graders in that one classroom only *quarantine at home* for the prescribed 10-day quarantine period.

For continuity of learning, class lessons will go on for these children from a distance. Mrs. Simpson will work with her class remotely each day just as she did during an earlier shutdown. Check her Google Classroom for details. Your child will need to check in daily with Mrs. Simpson for we will continue to record attendance each day.

The second graders in Mrs. Simpson's class will be able to return to school on *Monday, May 3*. If this date changes after the contact tracing and further consultation with the Health Department, we will let you know.

While the children are out, the classroom will receive another deep cleaning beyond the cleaning and disinfecting that takes place on a daily basis. To be cautious, we ask you to watch for any unusual symptoms in your child. The list of symptoms is on the CDC and Monroe County Health Department sites, as well as in past communications from our nurse's office. If your child has any symptoms, please contact your health care provider right away for further steps, and also call or send an email to inform Sr. Marlene Pape.

We are so appreciative of your understanding and support for we know keeping your child quarantined at home will cause difficulties and adjustments to your own daily schedules. If you have any questions, please contact Sr. Marlene at 458-3786 or mpape@nazarethschools.org.

Thank you!