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Friends and Families of Addenbrooke Classical Academy K-8,

The snow this week came at a perfect time, I noticed several kids remembered their boots and such and I am so excited. I have been brainstorming how during COVID we can share sleds so we can get the sledding hill up and going. Mr. Hagen will be using the sleds in PE class so that students will get a chance to join in the fun here.

This week was also our MAPS testing week. Most of the students have grown a great deal and met their goals. I truly believe that in this crazy year, students and teachers have just dug in their heals and endured. Any student who has met or exceeded their MAPS growth scores will be rewarded with special prizes. I will be giving them out on Friday and the remote learners who have completed the tests and met their goal will have their prizes sent home the next time there is a class materials pick up. Students will be given an Otter Pop if they met their goal in Reading, Popcorn if they met their goal in Language Arts, and a Math Homework Pass if they met their goal in Math. Our test makeups will continue through next week and at that point I will share overall growth and achievement for our students. Teachers will be sending home individual MAPS reports closer to conferences.

Tomorrow we will be having our January Dress-out-of-Uniform Day (first Friday we have had in-person school this month). Students can bring a dollar to dress out of uniform. Because this month is typically Stock Show month, we encourage students to wear Western style clothing, though this is not a requirement. Next Friday, we will have our Annual 50's Dress-out-of-Uniform day. Though not required students are encouraged to wear their Sock Hop gear. Usually the first Friday in February is the PACS Sock Hop Event so keeping small traditions with this dress-out-of-uniform day brings some normalcy to the year. Students in Middle School who have all C's or better and no missing assignments by next Friday will also participate in a fun day, while the other students will have a study hall to work on classwork. Often we forget to reward students who are making an effort to complete assignments and getting acceptable grades, this is our chance to give them a boost.

Many of you have probably noticed that we are doing car-line a bit differently. Please continue to post your family numbers and help us by pulling all the way up when you are in our line. Denver Christian, Lakewood Police and ACA are working to get the corner of Mansfield and Teller running smoothly but honestly it takes parents to be kind and thoughtful of others. I realize we are all in a hurry and when we start backing up and coming too early this doesn't allow anyone to move very quickly. Please be understanding as we work through this. We have also noticed that families are continuing to cut through the apartment complex, please stop this immediately as we have explained to the complex that notes and warnings have been given and we are now encouraging them to ask the police to write tickets. Remember official release time for Elementary students is 3:20 and Middle School is 3:30. If you are lining up early it doesn't mean that we will let your child out early as we need those instructional minutes.

Enrollment is underway and we are beginning to offer spots for next year. If you are currently enrolled there is no reason to stress as those students roll-over and remain ours. However, if you are leaving us and moving out of the district or accepting a spot at another Jeffco school please let us know so that we can have our numbers accurate.

Valentines Day parties will be run by the teachers this year for Elementary. Room parents may reach out to you for help with some items and though parents are not able to attend the parties, we would appreciate your help in making this a special event. Traditionally we have asked students to make their Valentines and we encourage homemade notes as much as possible. Teachers will also have students make something to carry or hold their Valentines. Look for that information soon. All Valentines will be sent home with students to be opened this year. Traditionally, fifth grade has had a tea-party for our Valentine's day celebration, we are still working on how we can continue this tradition so be watching for information.

Please be diligent about keeping your child(ren) home if they are not well. We are also working to be diligent with masks, hand washing and sanitizing but we need your help to stay on-campus learning and not have disruptions in our teaching because of COVID outbreaks.

Thank you all for everything and have a restful weekend.

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