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Dear Parents/Guardians:

As you are aware, the CDC is responding to an outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel (new) coronavirus that was first detected in China and which has now been detected in more than 70 locations internationally, including in the United States. The virus has been named "SARS-CoV-2" and the disease it causes has been named "coronavirus disease 2019" (abbreviated "COVID-19").

At this time, we have been directed to close our schools in order to slow the spread of the disease. We believe that it is important to continue instruction from home. We anticipate that distance learning will begin on Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. Parent-Teacher Conferences will continue on March 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Please expect a phone call from your classroom teacher if you have not yet had your conference. Teachers and support staff will be emailing the **daily assignments** to the parent email addresses on file. Teachers will also use email as the main correspondence to answer questions, concerns and provide clarification. It is expected that parents will support their children as they complete their daily assignments.

Additionally, we ask that you or your child check the following link **daily** for necessary resources and encourage your child to continue to read at least 20 minutes a day. All students have master lists of their personal usernames and passwords. If this list is misplaced, please contact your classroom teacher via email. This link will also be accessible on the Lynbrook Home Page. <u>https://www.lynbrookschools.org/departments/coronavirus\_information</u>

While schools are closed, it is imperative that parents continue to communicate if a child is ill and exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19. Please email the school nurse all vital health updates: <u>Grace.Sarlo@lynbrookschools.org</u>

The social and emotional well-being of our school community is our utmost priority. Therefore, we will continue to offer support to our children and family members remotely. You may email our school psychologists and/or social worker and they will readily correspond with you.

Psychologists: <u>Giuliana.Losapio@lynbrookschools.org</u> Social Worker: <u>Carol.Woehr@lynbrookschools.org</u>

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

Sincerely,

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