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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we embrace the warmer weather and the blossoming of spring, I'd like to address a couple of important matters concerning our school community.

### Dogs in the Yard

We appreciate the joy and companionship that our furry friends bring to our lives. However, it's essential to ensure the safety and well-being of all our students. Here are some guidelines regarding dogs on school premises:

- Yard Safety: If you bring your dog to school during drop-off or pick-up times, please keep them on a leash and under control. Some children may be fearful of dogs, while others may want to approach them. Let's be mindful of everyone's comfort and safety.
- 2. **Dogs in Yard**: the school is private property and dogs are not allowed on the property. We have been finding that people often do not pick up after their dogs, therefore we are asking, for the children's safety, that dogs stay off school property.
- 3. **Kindie Pen**: Our kindergarten play area is a space where our little ones explore, learn, and play. To maintain a safe environment, we kindly request that dogs do not enter the kindie pen ever.

#### Kindie Pen

As many of you have noticed our Kindie Pen has been outfitted with some new toys for our students thanks to the generosity of our Catholic School Advisory Council and donations.

As we strive to maintain a safe and organized environment for our little ones, I kindly request that parents refrain from entering the kindergarten pen after school hours. Our priority is the safety of our students. By limiting access to the kindergarten pen, we can ensure that only authorized personnel are present in the area, and that the equipment is being maintained properly.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

## **Spring Clothing Drive**

As we transition into spring, some families may need assistance with seasonal clothing. Our school closet aims to support those in need. If you have gently used spring clothing (such as lightweight jackets, raincoats, and sneakers) that your child has outgrown, please consider donating them. We accept all sizes, from kindergarten to adult.

# **How You Can Help:**

- Donate: Drop off clean and wearable spring clothing items at the school office.
- **Spread the Word**: Let other parents know about our clothing drive. Together, we can make a difference.

Thank you for your cooperation and generosity. Our school community thrives when we come together to support one another.

Wishing you a delightful spring season!

Sincerely,

G. Johnstone

Principal