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Dear RSE Families,

There are updates coming to us each day from the NYS Department of Health, as well as the Suffolk County Department of Health regarding the Coronavirus pandemic. I wanted to update you on the action and steps we have taken thus far as a school community.

Yesterday, Mrs. Ferone, our School Psychologist, and Mrs. Kuroski, our School Nurse, went into each class in grades three through sixth. They spoke to the children about the Coronavirus, provided them with facts, and ways that they could protect themselves from getting sick. The students were able to ask questions and engage in discussion about the virus and any anxiety they may have because of it. We decided to take this step as we were seeing that students were struggling. If you feel your child requires more support, please feel free to contact Mrs. Ferone.

Our custodial staff continues to conduct thorough cleaning of all surfaces daily. We are encouraging students and staff to continue with hand-washing protocols, as well as the use of hand sanitizers, that are throughout the building and well stocked. I continue to participate in conference calls and meetings with the Suffolk County Department of Health, and Mrs. Kuroski continues to monitor the CDC website daily in order to obtain the most recent updates, as this is a constantly evolving situation.

Finally, our teachers are diligently working to create a virtual platform for our students to learn on, in the event that there is a school closure for an extended period. This exercise is done out of an abundance of caution and we hope we never have to use it. Nonetheless, we need to be prepared. You can help us by completing the survey connected to this <u>link</u>. In order to provide a digital platform, we need to gain a sense of technology access for all of our children. Please take two minutes to complete the survey. It is truly appreciated.

Survey link

I wish you and your family well at this crazy time. Together, I am confident that this will pass and our children will continue to be well taken care of and supported.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Schools