



Dear Mercy Families,

I hope everyone has been able to enjoy the beautiful weather this weekend! Every now and then I post a challenge to our students on Instagram, and this week the challenge is to be kind and to have fun. My hope is that they will be mindful of three random acts of kindness this week that will bring joy to others while also taking time to be goofy and silly.

As we find ourselves in our last week of April, we are reminded just how fast time goes by. Being home has given me the gift that I never would have been able to have otherwise- to be home with my almost 10 month old son. Somehow these past two weeks my baby turned into a crawling, climbing, screeching mini Godzilla, and I have spent most of the month chasing him. I am sure I will blink and find myself where you are- so close to preparing for a high school graduation and a college send off- how does your heart take it?!?

In the spirit of "we can never have enough time", I would like to challenge our parents as well! This week I hope that you will choose a night and designate it to be your special night with your daughter. Whether that means you go for a longer walk than usual, you play a board game, or you have a needed heart to heart, just do something different and technology free with your daughter. Whatever it is, I hope you go to bed feeling that your heart is at peace and filled with love thanks to the special time you have with your daughter.

Let's all enjoy this last week of April as we continue to keep our health care workers and all those affected by COVID-19 in our prayers. We miss your daughters, and we are so happy that you have this extra time to truly see the incredible young women they have become during their time at Mercy!

Thanks,

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State of the School Assembly- Thank you to those who joined last week's State of the School Assembly. If you were unable to join, the slideshow can be found here and the recording of the assembly can be found here. One area we forgot to mention in our facilities update for this year is that we repainted the interior of the school's main building!

New Distance Learning Schedule- Our <u>new Distance Learning Schedule</u> starts tomorrow! We hope your daughters enjoy the later start time and greater flexibility that this schedule provides. Please encourage them to use their time wisely on Wednesdays.

Making A Difference- I truly hope you will attend our half hour Making A Difference From Home event this Thursday, April 30th at 7PM. Please invite your friends and family. The event will be livestreamed on our website at www.mercyhsb.com/giving/mad We look forward to celebrating the gift of a Mercy education and the financial aid need of our student body with you on Thursday.

Are you a local business owner? We sent this out last month, and only one Mercy parent entered information. We would love to try again! If you are a local business owner please click here and enter your information so as a Mercy community we can support one another! We will compile the information you provide and share it in next Sunday's email update. I am sure there are so many of us who want to support our local business owners- please share your business information by 5pm on Saturday so we can offer our support!

Sports Uniform Drop Off: If your daughter played a spring sport, we ask that you wash and return her uniform on either May 5th or May 7th from 11am-3pm. Please drive up the Grassilli Gate Entrance (middle entrance on Adeline/ pool entrance). Families will be able to remain in their cars and just need to drop it off through their windows. If you have any concerns with this please contact Athletic Director Charlie Dougherty at cdougherty@mercyhsb.com.

Community is as important as ever right now! Please consider attending one of this week's parent events:

- Monday, March 27th 9:30am 10:30am Parent College Counseling Support
- Thursday, April 30th 10am- Parent Wellness Support
- Thursday, April 30th 1:00pm 2:00pm Parent College Counseling Support
- Thursday, April 30th 7pm Making A Difference From Home (½ hour livestream event)
- Friday, May 1st 9:00 10:00am Parent Check-In with Head of School
- Friday, May 1st 12pn AP Information Meeting