



# ST. ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## Lion's Roar: March 23, 2020

*“When I was a boy and I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, “Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping.” - Mr. Rogers*

There are countless ways everyone is helping, and it is humbling. THANKS to this AMAZING faculty for not hesitating for a second to create a plan of action for continuous learning for your children. They have exhibited a GROWTH MINDSET in sharing new ideas and learning new techniques to be most effective. Know that we are all in communication constantly to continue to align our approach and expectations.

The day and night maintenance crews, managed by Mr. Bill Quirk, met to coordinate their efforts in cleaning and sanitizing the campus. The inside and outside of each building is being washed with the highest possible potency allowed for a school building.

The Cafeteria Staff, led by Ms. Ebony Tillman, took on the task of being a host site to serve children in our community. Their dedication to feeding children is truly an act of love!

None of this is possible without the incredible support from Fr. Randy, Fr. Ryan, and the entire St. Aloysius Parish Church Staff. The Catholic Schools' Office and the Diocese of Baton Rouge have also been an incredible resource of information and procedural changes.

And last but certainly not least is YOU, the parents! Your sweet emails of encouragement and support help us to know that we are on the right path. We are missing you and your children, so sending us pictures and emails lift our days SO MUCH! Thanks and please continue, as we want to see them using a GROWTH MINDSET in this new way of learning. I think we have some “budding” teachers emerging!

Stay safe and we will see you soon!

-Erin Candilora

***“The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.” Amen***

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**Important Dates-**

**April 6-13**    **Spring Break**

**April 14**     **Students return to school**

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**Loving Our Neighbor (© 2020 Paul Canavese. Published by The Pastoral Center.)**

While we are hunkered down in our homes, we shouldn't forget that we are still called to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. This can be a particular challenge when authorities are telling us not to leave our homes except when necessary, but it is not impossible. These are some ways your family can reach out to others.

- ▶ Offer to shop or do other jobs for those who are most vulnerable to the virus, so they don't have to unnecessarily expose themselves. We can also make ourselves available for any other ways that they need help.
- ▶ Be reasonable in our purchasing decisions so that there will be enough supplies for everyone.
- ▶ Help those who work in "essential services" such as medical care with childcare, shopping, or other tasks.
- ▶ Regularly pray for those who are sick, lonely, isolated, overburdened, and scared.

\*Use snail mail. Write letters, make cards, draw pictures for friends and relatives who could use a good word of cheer.

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**ART AND LANGUAGE ARTS CONTEST:** The [2020 LEEC Student Environmental Awareness Art and Language Arts Contest](#) will feature the theme "Take it Outside! Explore Nature's Classroom."

We encourage students to create works of visual and language arts that demonstrate the important role that nature plays in education. Entries must be postmarked by **April 24, 2020**. [Download the contest brochure and entry form](#) for complete details. Contact: [environmentaleducation@la.gov](mailto:environmentaleducation@la.gov).

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***The mission of St. Aloysius School is to educate the whole child in the Catholic tradition for a life of meaning and purpose.***

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