

March 26, 2020

Good Afternoon BMMS Parents and Students,

I just wanted to touch base with you to let you know that we are thinking about you during this uncertain time. Ms. Bell Jefferson and I speak with all of your teachers regularly. They and we miss you! Your teachers are working hard to teach you from home. They are finding, sharing and trying a variety of digital tools. Some of you were pleased to hear your teachers' voices as they record videos and voice overs. We understand that the transition to remote learning may be easier for some than others for a variety of reasons. While many students have settled into a routine, we understand that others may be struggling. Families are dealing with several issues during this time the least of which may be online learning.

The staff at BMMS is here to help in any way we can.

I wanted to outline a few important points::

1. Students, be sure you are checking your email and Google Classroom for each of your classes daily. If you need help, please email your teacher.
2. Parents, if you are struggling to help your student with assignments, we have several Teaching Assistants that would love to assist! Please email your child's teacher or guidance counselor and they can help you set that up.
3. Clare Carey and her staff are offering free bagged breakfast and lunch every weekday from 10-1 at HHHS. You can find her around the back of the HS by the cafeteria.
4. If you or your child needs additional support, please reach out to your child's school counselor: Grade 6 - **Mrs. Gagne** - [Beth.Gagne@henhudschools.org](mailto:Beth.Gagne@henhudschools.org), Grade 7 - **Mr. Morotti** - [John.Morotti@henhudschools.org](mailto:John.Morotti@henhudschools.org), Grade 8 - **Ms. Bolen** - [Brooke.Bolen@henhudschools.org](mailto:Brooke.Bolen@henhudschools.org).
5. Students and parents, share photos of yourselves working! You can send them to your teacher and they will be included on our website under [Student and Teacher Testimonials](#)
6. The HenHud website has a page that provides families with information aimed at providing support and guidance during this time of school closures. Here is the link: [COVID-19 Response](#)
7. At this time, there are no plans to allow students, parents or staff back in the building. If that should change, I will let you know.
8. My secretary, Helene Brandt, is checking voicemails and emails daily. If you have any issues at all, you can leave a message at (914) 257-5712 or email [Helene.Brandt@henhudschools.org](mailto:Helene.Brandt@henhudschools.org) and someone will get back to you.

We will get through this together. Please email or call if there is anything we can do to help. I miss seeing you all and am looking forward to welcoming you back to BMMS!

Stay safe and healthy.

Regards,

John Owens

Principal