



Oradell Public School District

*Our children, our hope, our future*

April 13, 2020

Dear OPS Community Members,

I hope that you and your family were able to get what you needed out of Spring Break. As we begin week four of our remote learning journey, I wanted to share a few quick updates.

- We are aware that there are Oradell families who may lose or have already lost power today. Just do your best! If all else fails, tell your child to read a book or write a story! (Or they can count how many times you tell them not to open the refrigerator door while the power is out!)
- There is a FREE webinar tomorrow evening provided by the New Jersey PTA and the New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association that you may be interested in. It is titled **"Addressing the Social and Emotional Well Being of the Whole Family."** More information can be found [here](#).
- This week and moving forward, we will use the same structure for planning we used previously. Every two weeks, teachers will be unavailable for a period of two hours as they plan collaboratively with administration for the next 10 days of instruction. We will try to vary the times to ensure that we are not impacting the same instructional periods each time. This week, the schedule is as follows:
  - *Wednesday, April 15th from 12:30-2:30: 2nd and 4th Grade*
  - *Thursday, April 16th from 12:30-2:30: Kindergarten, 3rd and 6th Grade*
  - *Friday, April 17th from 12:30-2:30: 1st and 5th Grade*
- Please notice that there is now a "[SPECIAL AREAS](#)" website listed under News on the front page of the website. You can find links to special area assignments there if you've misplaced or are unsure about them.

As always, thank you for your continued dedication. I ask this week that you remember what I shared in the beginning . . . you know your child best. If you feel that they are struggling and need to shut down for a day, you have the power to do that. Just let his or her teacher know. I also remind you that Mrs. Mason ([masonr@oradellschool.org](mailto:masonr@oradellschool.org)) is available if you need additional support for your child's emotional needs. I believe the best piece of advice right now is to take one day at a time. Don't worry about the future, about learning lost, etc. Focus on each day, and know that my team and I will take care of the future when we need to.

*Megan N. Bozios*