Dear Parents.

We wanted to let you know about a few things before we head off for Spring Break.

It is time to complete our second Archdiocesan *Empowering God's Children Teaching Safety* lesson for this school year. Every year, we teach one lesson in October and one in April. On Monday, April 17th, when we return, we will teach the children our lesson. The lesson is "Safe Adults, Safe Touches, and Special Adults." If you'd like your child to opt out of the lesson you will find an attached "Opt Out" form. The form needs to be in by the morning of Monday, April 17th. If we don't receive the form, we will take that as your consent for your child to attend the lesson.

Our unit of inquiry is moving right along. When we return from spring break, we will be learning about Native American music, and students will be creating an instrument. We need a few items you may have at your house to construct these instruments. Using our knowledge, we want to create these from materials directly from nature and reused items such as cans, plastic bottles, and straws. Please send in when students return.

## Here's a list of what we need:

**Drums:** coffee cans, pots, baskets... **Rattles:** soda can, small plastic bottle,

Rasps: cardboard

Wind Instruments: straws, cardboard strips

It's hard to believe, but the spring Student Led Conferences are being scheduled. The conferences are on Thursday, April 27th (noon to 8:00) and Friday, April 28th (8:00 - 4:00). Click the link for your child's homeroom teacher. The links are below.

## **Upcoming Events**

4/8 - Holy Saturday - 8:00 pm Easter Vigil

4/9 - Easter Sunday - 9:00 am and 11:00 am Mass

4/10-4/14 - NO SCHOOL - EASTER BREAK

4/17 Safety Lesson Taught

4/19 - Mass Grades 2-8 - 8:45am

4/21 - FREE DRESS DAY!

4/22-4/30 - Book Fair

4/24 - Coffee & Curriculum: Social - Emotional Learning (Click to RSVP)

4/26 - Mass Grades 2-8 - 8:45am

4/27 & 4/28 - Student-led Conferences

Smith Sign up

Sheehan Sign up

(No classes scheduled so that students and parents can attend in-person conferences.)

Wishing you all a blessed Easter and a relaxing spring break,

Susan Smith and Valerie Sheehan