



March 6, 2020: Friday Community Update

Dear CDS Families,

It was so wonderful to hear from the Kindergarten Redwoods this morning as they educated us about some of the amazing characteristics of their namesake. The trees that our students are named after are big and bold, large and powerful, and true forces of nature.

We were also inspired by middle school activists who educated us about their support of the [Moms 4 Housing](#) organization and the first-grade changemakers who shared their neighborhood cleanup project with the promise of POPSICLES as a reward at the end!

As many of you may have heard, Lowell High School closed near the end of their school day yesterday and is also closed today. This closure was triggered because a relative of one of their students is currently being treated for the coronavirus (COVID-19).

Here at CDS, we continue to reference our [Flu Response Plan matrix](#) that we shared in my note on Tuesday. Should it become necessary to close the school, we will inform the community immediately through an alert with our emergency notification system (One Call Now) and also a note via ParentSquare. If you believe that school closure will be an extreme hardship for your family, please email me and we will work to brainstorm solutions with you.

As I mentioned earlier in the week, should a closure take place we will work to provide some level of appropriate online/home learning. **If you feel that your family might require technology support from the school, please let us know by completing this [short questionnaire](#) or sending an email to Rico at ricot@cds-sf.org.**

This is a difficult time for all of us here at CDS and also beyond the campus. Some

of you may have already noticed that many local businesses and restaurants are being impacted. If you are able to do so, please go out and support some of these small businesses this weekend.

We know that a school closure is disruptive, and we appreciate your flexibility and understanding.

Warmly,
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