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Dear Kindergarten through 3rd Grade Students and Parents,

Hello from Mrs. Shepherd! I've been thinking of you all and I miss seeing your smiles and hearing your voices so, so much! As much as I wish we could all be back in school, it doesn't look like that will be happening for at least two weeks at the earliest.

I've had several students message or video me about the Spring Program. After communicating with Mrs. Richeson, the Spring Program is being postponed. If we return to school prior to the end of April, the plan moving forward is as follows:

1. I will attempt to schedule an evening to have the Spring Program. This will be a very minimal program during which you will simply stand on the risers and sing/play your songs for the audience members who are able to attend. There will likely not be any speaking parts between songs or anything of that sort.
2. The next option will be to have students perform their songs as a grade level and I will record them. The recording would then be posted to the school website, school social media outlets, etc. so it can be shared to parents, community members, and family members.
3. If neither of the above options are feasible, we would unfortunately have to cancel the Spring Program completely.

The students have worked so hard, and several were *very* excited to perform in the Spring Program. They were prepared to share their skills with an audience, and I'm sorry to have to share this news.

I hope you are all staying healthy and taking advantage of all the "at home" learning opportunities available to you. Remember that music lessons will be available on Flipgrid on Mondays, and once you set up your Quaver account, you'll have all sorts of fun things to do! If you have any questions, video or message me on Flipgrid, or email me at melissa.shepherd@gosweddes.org. I can't wait to connect with you!

Mrs. Shepherd