Spring Break and Sustaining our SFS Community

Dear SFS Community:

I can't resist it - T.G.I.F. I believe this still has to mean something to us all! Some have inquired as to whether our calendar will change in light of the extended campus closure, specifically with respect to spring break and the end of the school year.

<u>Our spring break will remain as scheduled from April 6 - 10</u>, and we will need a professional development day for staff on April 13. There will not be any *SOTG* content from classroom teachers but I am excited to say that Extended Day options will be available. <u>As of now, we anticipate the last day of school will still be June 3</u>.

I am proud of *School on the Go (SOTG)*, and I consider it a significant accomplishment on the part of the faculty and the administration. It does, however, require significant effort and time in a way that is very different from traditional classroom instruction and preparation. Furthermore, not only are we (staff and student families) attempting to simultaneously work, parent, and/or teach to different degrees than we are accustomed, but we are also in the midst of a period of high anxiety and isolation.

We understand that many parents/guardians will have to work the week of spring break. In anticipation of this, we are busily preparing enrichments for students in partnership with the Family Association (FA), Faculty, and Extended Day (ED) team. This includes:

- The Family Association Toolbox, which contains resources, online and offline activities, and websites and apps for kids and their families.
- The Anytime Student Activities links (in the March 24th Tuesday Note Home). You HAVE to check out this DIY planter it hooked my daughter, Harper, and me right away!
- Live and recorded enrichment activities that will be open to all students specifically during spring break.
- More to come!

To ensure that *SOTG* can continue smoothly and without disruption, it needs to evolve over time. As we plan the next phase, we are incorporating the feedback from our entire community (students, families, and teachers) to modify the program so that it is sustainable for all. Thank you for your partnership, and please have a good weekend!

Steve