

APRIL 25, 2020

Dear Bellarmine parents:

While our work days seem to blend in to one another, I do hope that you are able to get outdoors and enjoy the sunshine with your family this weekend. During this last week, I worked hard to improve my self-care habits, but there were a few days when I just didn't have it in me to head outdoors for a walk. Lucky for me, one of my daughters enjoys routines, so she asks me every day when we are heading outside to walk the dog. One evening, she even convinced her sister to join us so we could all walk down "Acorn street," a wide, oak tree lined-street that feels magical. She and I walked our shaggy dog while her sister continued to practice her skateboarding skills. We talked and laughed throughout the walk, and by the time we got home, I felt recharged. So, even as I struggle to find the stamina to make it through long days online, I look for these small moments of grace to fill up my tank.

One of the Jesuit Apostolic Preferences is **JOURNEYING WITH YOUTH**. It recognizes that "young people have so many possibilities in this digital age which unites them as never before. We want to walk with them, discerning these possibilities and finding God in the depths of reality." During these days of shelter-in-place, our students continue to show us creative new ways to connect with one another. Yesterday, Luke Wilhelm '20 and other Sanguine Humours members organized a Minecraft Charity Stream for Second Harvest Food Bank, and Tanish Chettiar '22 is organizing a fundraiser that asks for pledges based on the number of miles he, and other cross country members, run each week. Encourage your son to check his email or the BellsUnited page for fun events and activities each week.

Sincerely,

Kristina Luscher
Principal