



# St. Elizabeth School

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Dear St. Elizabeth Families,

What a week Catholic Schools Week turned out to be as Open House and Special Person Day were cancelled due to illness. Open House will be rescheduled tentatively for Wednesday from 9-11. I will confirm on Monday. Special person day will be rescheduled for the Spring and I will notify you later in the year.

As you know we have several illnesses going around. We have Type A Flu, strep throat, bronchitis, ear infections and others. I want to reinforce with you that sending students to school when not feeling well just passes germs to others. Sending them back to school too soon is also problematic. Please be sure they are well before returning.

This school is very clean and we are constantly wiping handrails, computer keyboards, door knobs, push bars and all surfaces. This has always been part of our maintenance program and is performed by our custodial staff, not just the night cleaning service. We take all precautions at all times of the year, not just the winter. I know vaccinations are personal decisions and you should consult your pediatrician about the flu vaccine. It does make a difference. The lowest rate of flu is pre-k and that is because all children under 5 are required to have a flu vaccine. We have been in touch with the Bergen County Health Department and they are monitoring our illnesses. There are many schools throughout the state dealing with flu as it is flu season.

Tomorrow, Friday, we have 9am Mass and an early dismissal with no aftercare due to Women's Cornerstone this weekend.

Have a great weekend and stay warm.

Sincerely,

Karen A Lewis