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Dear CME Families,

The safety of all Christa McAuliffe Elementary students and staff is of great importance. We continue to evaluate our emergency preparedness plans to ensure procedures are in place so students and staff know how to respond to various situations that may occur at school. Currently, all Lee County schools conduct safety drills such as fire, evacuation, and tornado. This school year we are adding Intruder drills to our safety plans. Intruder drills are a type of lockdown that would be implemented in the event a potentially dangerous or unauthorized individual enters our school campus.

It is important to practice these drills so if there were ever a need to go into the lockdown mode, safety procedures would be followed to quickly protect our students and staff. We are pleased to have the partnership between CME and the Cape Coral Police Department to provide Intruder Response Training for our staff (beginning last school year). Since we have young students, we will be calling this type of drill a "threat on campus".

Our drill requirements are as follows:

- . 1 fire drill per month
- . 1 lockdown drill per month
- . 1 intruder drill per month
- . 1 bomb drill per semester
- . 1 tornado drill per year

Please know that our school is vastly attune to the safety needs for our students. As a parent and educator these are not easy times for any of us. I would ask that we all work together to continue to create a safe and positive learning environment for our children.

Feel free to let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kevin Brown

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Principal

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