VISION

A Christ-centered school community growing in the love and friendship of Jesus Christ in His Church and striving for peace in the social and ecological order



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We, in Basic Education, commit ourselves —
to Transformative Education
as a Christ-centered school community
dedicated to the integral formation of persons
empowered to promote justice, peace,
care for creation, and solidarity.

Reclaim our JOY as God's beloved! School Thrust 2018-2019

October 19, 2018

In Christ,

Dear Parents and Guardians:

To help promote mental health and wellness among the members of the community, a **therapy dog** will be coming to school beginning in November. Therapy dogs have been active in some schools in the country, and teachers, guidance counselors, and administrators have seen the positive effects these dogs have on students and themselves. Research cites the following as **benefits of having a therapy dog in school**:

- Reduces blood pressure, provides physical stimulation, and assists with pain management
- Promotes greater self-esteem and focused interaction with other students and teachers
- Stimulates memory and problem-solving skills
- Lifts moods in the classroom, provokes laughter, and offers friendship

The therapy dog is trained to interact with people through touch and playful encounters. It will be brought to different areas in school under the care of a professional handler. As our partners, kindly help us orient the students to be gentle and mindful during their interactions to prevent accidents. Instruct your daughter to avoid playing with the dog if this will pose danger or harm to her health (e.g. allergies).

Our new furry friend will be arriving soon, and we will give you more details about its scheduled visits to the school. Thank you for supporting our programs that promote the holistic development of the members of the community.

MS. MARIE GRACE B. MAGTAAS School Director				
		REPLY SLIP		
	We have read the circular re the therapy dog, and we will orient our daughter about it. We are allowing our child to interact with the therapy dog. We are not allowing our child to interact with the therapy dog because			
	Student's Name	Level & Section	Parent's/Guardian' Signature Over Printed	