



Central Park East I Elementary School

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Dear Families,

It is hard to write about violence close to us. That's the focus of this letter.

This week, we are hearing a painful story. A mother of eight children was killed by one of her sons. It happened inside an apartment close to our school.

Some CPE1 families live in the same building. We have been reaching out to those families, and others who live nearby.

Walking past the site of something shocking and painful, or even just thinking about it, can bring on strong feelings. On top of that, with the pandemic still going on, most of us are struggling more than usual.

No matter where your family is living, Tina, our school counselor, can be a support. Please reach out to tina@cpe1.nyc, and she will connect with you.

For other resources, please check out:

- [NYC Well](#) and its confidential text, phone, or chat lines
- The wide range of [programs through ThriveNYC](#)
- The many [supports of NYCHope](#)
- The [Personal Safety section of NYC's page for Survivors during COVID](#)

Take good care.

Gabriel

