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Jay Thomas  
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Parents, Guardians, and Patrons of Little Axe Public School,

As I am sure you all know, we had a tornado warning today at the beginning of school. All students were in the tornado shelters within minutes of the warning alert and were safe! What a great feeling knowing that if severe weather hit, our students would be protected! It is important to recognize our faculty and staff who acted quickly and took care of students to ensure that they were in the shelter. Thanks to multiple drills and instruction, students knew what to do and were cooperative. The safe rooms have plenty of room to fit all students!

I want to take this opportunity to thank you again as a community for voting in the bond that made the safe rooms possible. In a situation like the one we experienced today, we can be assured that our students are taken care of. I want to again thank Rod Cleveland and the workers of Cleveland County District 1 for helping in this process. Thanks to their work at the school, the bond issue money has went farther than it would have otherwise. Due to the help of District 1 on these projects, the school district was able to install an integrated public address system. This system can alert the entire district of hazards at the push of a button with multiple messages such as a pre-recorded tornado warning. This system was used today to alert all students and staff that it was time to go to the shelters. In addition to the public address system, we are also able to enclose the south breezeway at the elementary. This project is currently permitted and will begin in the near future. We will complete a multi-purpose facility which will be used for extra-curricular activities including batting, a cheer facility, and a host of other possibilities. This multi-purpose facility will also house our IT servers and important documents in a tornado proof shelter. This shelter will allow us to protect both our valuable paper information as well as electronic information from severe weather.

In conclusion, thank you for your trust in us as a school to keep your children safe. Thank you also for your support of a bond issue that, in days like today, are a comfort knowing that we have the resources to shelter and protect the students of Little Axe!

Sincerely,

Jay Thomas  
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