To: Parents & Guardians

Date: May 27, 2024

Re: Reminders & Updates for this Final Week

Dear Parents & Guardians,

Happy Memorial Day!

Can you believe the 2023-2024 school year is almost over! Hope you have started making summer plans for the kids as in just a few days, the long summer vacation will begin. However, until then there is still much important and fun work to engage their interests at school. This memo is to provide reminders and updates about the school-wide activities scheduled for this last week of school. See below for summer activity suggestion.

First, THANK YOU for your for coming out to support all of the special activities that took place last week, starting with our schoolwide STEAMS Showcase on Monday, RMES Spring Vocal Concert on Tuesday, and other class sponsored activities during the rest of the week. The highlights included K-2 and 7th grade Field Trip to the Potawatomi Zoo, 8th grade class trip to Camp Au Sable and Mackinac Island, and the Kindergarten End of Year Program. Know that your prayers and presence (as chaperones and other supporting contribution) made a huge difference to ensure each experience was safe and fun for everyone.

Next, Important Final Week Events and Invitation to attend:

1. **Awards Assembly:** The focus of tomorrow’s Assembly is to affirm and award our students for their hard work this school year. Please be aware that while we are committed to ensuring every student is recognized and will be awarded for his/her hard work and achievement, in the interest of time, only a few special awards will be given at Assembly. All other awards will be distributed in the classroom. The teachers will let you know when this will happen in the classroom.

   FYI, the following are the awards will be distributed at assembly: Citizenship, Bible Knowledge, Academic Achievement, The President’s Award, Principal’s Reading Challenge, Music, and Sports. Your teacher should be letting you know if your student will be awarded in any of these schoolwide challenge categories. Congratulations to all our students and to you for partnering with us to keep them striving for excellence in their total development!

2. **Yearbook Assembly:** On Wednesday, May 29, 8:30am the Yearbook team under the direction of Pr. White, Yearbook Mini course instructor, will reveal and distribute the 2024 Yearbook.

3. **RMES 8th Annual Field Day** – This event takes place this Wednesday, May 29, from 9:00 a.m-3:00pm. It is a day of organized outdoor fun and games coordinated by the
Home & School & School for the entire student body. You are invited to come and join the fun.

**Volunteers Needed:** Volunteers are needed to help with Field Day games. We need volunteers for the morning from 9:00-11:30 am or in the afternoon from 1:00-3:00 pm. If you are willing to help, please let Kimberly Westfall (RMEShomeandschool@gmail.com) or Coach Lonto know which time slot you’re able to help with. Thanks, so much, Kimberly.

4. **8th Grade Graduation:** Thursday, May 30, 7:00 p.m. at Pioneer Memorial Church.
5. **No School for 8th Grade:** The 8th grade/graduates gets the day off on May 31, last day of school.
6. **Class Requirements:** I would like to encourage all 3-8 grade parents to check with your child’s teacher/s and review Jupiter (with your child) to make sure all class requirements are on target and assignments are completed and turned in. As customary, 7th and 8th grade students should have had all their requirements met and assignments submitted before special activities week. Compliments, to the students who are up to date with all of their assignments!
7. **End of 4th Quarter & Last day of school, May 31st, 2024 – NO EXTENDED!**
8. **Final Report Cards** along with information for the new school year will be mailed.
9. **Post School Week for teachers - June 3-7, 2024**
10. **Summer Office Hours June -August:** Mon-Thurs 9:00am - 4:00pm and Fridays 9:00-12:00
11. **School reopens, August 19, 2024**

Thank you for your invaluable contribution to ensure continuous quality improvement of the service and product at RMES during this school year. I cannot say enough how much we value your collaboration to make our service the best and in nurturing our students not only to be the best, but to give their best! Looking forward to seeing you and all of your precious children next year.

**A Promise for you:**

“But let all who take refuge in you be glad; let them ever sing for joy. Spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may rejoice in you.” Psalm 5:11

**Blessings for a Safe and Happy Summer Vacation!**

In His service,

Dr. Savory

PS. If you are looking for summer activities for your children here is a suggestion for you….

Enrolling now:

- Andrews University Camp for Kindergarten –June 17-August 9, 2024
www.andrews.edu/services/crayonbox/camp_kindergarten.

- Andrews University Camp for 1st Grade – Age 12.
  
  www.andrews.edu/services/crayonbox/summercamp.