

From: The Desk of the principal
Date: October 11, 2021
To: RMES Parents & Guardians

Re: Pertinent Reminders & Updates

Happy Columbus Day and Fall Break! Hoping you are able to use this well-earned day to relax or get caught up on house work that may have gotten neglected due to busy daily schedules. I also trust that students use this time to slow down and just do outside reading for enjoyment . Compliments to those students who have been keeping up with all class assignments this quarter, including your nightly reading and log! I do want to wish everyone a wonderful relaxing day off. You have earned it.

End of First Quarter: This first quarter (grading period) ends this **Friday, October 15, 2021**. Parents, thank you so much for your cooperation and support of everything that we have done during this first quarter, both in the classroom and schoolwide. I hope by now you know that the top priority of RMES administration and faculty is your child! Ensuring the total development, spiritual, mental, social-emotional, and physical wellbeing of our students is our primary focus. During this quarter we did have a few challenges, but nothing to complain about because our God has been faithful. Before we called, He was there to answer and fight the battle for us. Praise the Lord for a good first quarter!

End of Quarter Spirit Day—PINK DAY: In observance of Cancer Awareness Month, we would like to encourage ALL students and staff to wear PINK to show solidarity with the cancer survivors and those who are battling cancer in our school family and community. This Friday is PINK DAY! We Take a Stand to lift you up to the Great Physician for continued anointing.

2nd Quarter: As we transition into the 2nd Quarter (**October 18-December 17, 2021**), please be aware that there are a few end of quarter requirements that will overlap from the 1st Quarter:

- **Grades:** Please check Jupiter with your 3-8 grade student to ensure they are no missing assignments. In case you do not see a grade that you expect should have been recorded because your child did the assignment, do not hesitate to check-in with the homeroom or subject teacher.
- **Report Cards and MAP Test results** will be given at Parent-Teacher Conference

Parent Concert: RMES Music Teachers and students are working hard to be ready for their first public instrumental performance. That event will be a concert just for you on **Thursday, October 21, 2021**. The Band, Orchestra, and Hand Bells will be featured. More details forthcoming.

Parent-Teacher Conference: This the first of two annually scheduled Parent-Teacher Conferences (PTC). Your first PTC is **November 3-4, 2021**. Please plan accordingly as these days will be half-day for students and half-day for conferences. Parents will be invited to make an appointment for a one-on-one conference time with their classroom teacher/s. I would like to strongly encourage you to make every effort not to miss this first appointment, which is critical for making a personal connection with the teacher and start discussion or share any questions or concerns about your child's/children's academic, social-emotional development. We will let

you know when the system is up for appointments.

COVID-19 Updates: Note that our school will continue to follow BCHD and AU guidelines to maintain COVID-19 mitigation protocols. RMES will continue to maintain healthy hygiene practices including wash hands, keep hands from face, sanitize furniture, and mask to be worn inside and optional outside.

GET App and Lunch Order: Just a gentle reminder that on **Friday, October 15**, the grace period ends for lunch orders to be submitted without the GET App. That means lunch orders must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on the day before and no lunch orders will be accepted for the same day. As you continue to get accustomed to this new process, I would like to encourage that you provide your child a sandwich/fruit in case you forgot to order on time. **Thank you for your cooperation and COMPLIMENTS FOR doing an amazing job placing lunch orders on time the last two extended trial weeks!**

Invitation to RMES Prayer Grow Group: Thanks to the four faithful parents who stop by every Thursday morning to unite in prayer for our students, teachers, and families. We need you to help increase the prayer power on Thursdays, however, if you absolutely cannot join in person, please pray (8:15-8:40) wherever you are for our students and staff. This Pastor Appreciation Month, please pray for our pastors and Chaplains. I believe God is hearing and answering our requests, just as He has promised.

This week, we **TAKE A STAND** to support the Cancer Survivors in our school family!

Here's a Promise for you:

"This is what the Lord, the God of your father David, says: I have heard your prayer and seen your tears; I will heal you." 2 Kings 20:5

Blessings
Evelyn P. Savory