From: The Desk of the Principal

To: Faculty & Staff

RE: Reminders & Updates

May 8, 2023

Dear Parents & Guardians,

Hope you are enjoying the pleasant weekend weather and are making plans for the even better temperatures forecasted for the week ahead. Despite the unpredictable nature of the weather last week, it was an exciting week at school. The 6th graders will most likely be the first to claim that they had the most fun, and I am sure many will agree after hearing about their trip to the Cubs Baseball Game in Indiana and seeing their outstanding Wax Museum. Mr. Swack and grade 6 students, Job Well Done, in your preparation and at the Wax Museum! Looking forward to seeing some of your presentations at STEAMS Showcase.

The following are this week’s reminders and updates. Please take a moment to read and be first to know the pertinent upcoming schoolwide plans:

May 8-12 is Teacher’s Appreciation Week: This week please join me in applauding our dedicated, amazing teachers and staff members for all that they do at RMES for the students and community and for their commitment to Adventist education. This is also a good time to encourage the children to say thank you to their teachers.

Stand-in-My-Shoe Day: Tuesday, May 9 is Stand-In-My-Shoe Day, that means the 8th grade students will be taking the work of the administration, faculty, and staff for the morning half-day. The goal of the activity is to give the students an opportunity to demonstrate responsibility and leadership skills in the different job roles within our school. The students have already been given their jobs and have met with their supervisors, the person whose shoes they will stand in.

Stand-in My-Shoes Day Attire: On Tuesday, 8th grade students are asked to come to school dressed in professional attire, suited to his/her role for the day. Please check that school dress code is observed. Absolutely No jewelry, please. It is our prayer that this experience will inspire every student and spark a new vision to learn, succeed, and grow. At the end of the day the students will evaluate and share their experience.

The TENT: This week RMES/PMC TENT evangelistic meetings begins. This is the 10th year of the TENT, which will run for 10 nights, May 11-21, with 12 strong student preachers. Please continue to pray for all the planners and participants, Pastor Ben, the Tent coordinator, the preachers, and the other pastors who have volunteered their time to mentor the student participants. Please come and bring your family and friends. The students would be happy to see you and obtain your support. Looking forward to seeing you at the BIG white tent on the campus of Andrews University, (next to Griggs Hall) and across from Honor Credit Union on US 139.
RMES Spring Instrumental and Vocal Concerts:

• **May 16, 2023 --Instrumental Concert**, featuring, RMES Beginning, Concert band & Strings Orchestra, directed by Dr. Elsy Gallardo-Diaz and & Hand Bells, directed by Mr. Marcelo Martins.

• **May 23 – Vocal Concert**, featuring RMES K-2 Bells, Recorders, and K-8 Choir, directed by Mr. Marcelo Martins The presentations will start at 7:00 p.m. at the Howard Performing Arts Center (HPAC).

**RMES Grandparents Day:** The excitement is growing as we prepare and receive the RSVPs from over 100 grandparents (so far) who are planning to attend RMES first schoolwide Grandparents Day on May 19. Thank you for helping to circulate the word. Please keep this event in prayer.

**STEAMS Showcase:** RMES annual STEAMS Showcase will be held on May 22, 2023, 5:00-7:00pm. This is our exhibition of the students’ collaboration and creative work of excellence in STEAMS, including Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts/Agriculture Math with their Spiritual integration. We are inviting parents, friends, and community visitors to come and see and hear students tell about their Star STEAMS accomplishments, including other integrated project-based learning areas, such as Social Studies, Modern Languages (Spanish, Korean) ELA (Creative Writing). Student work will be displayed from outside and inside the classrooms to the gymnasium.

**RMES Official Registration Day:** In addition to STEAMS Showcase, we are also looking forward to seeing you on May 22nd to start or even complete registration for 2023-2024 school year. It is not too soon to make your appointment now if you would like to meet with the Business Manager one-on-one. If not, the office staff will be ready to work with you when you come on that day. Just do not miss the opportunity to register early and get the fee discount. Once again, we request your partnership in sharing this information to your family, friends and neighbors who have potential students for our school.

**Tuition Payment Due:** Just a gentle reminder that your tuition payment is due April 25. Thank you for your commitment to Adventist education and for your support of RMES.

**Summer Tutoring for Students:** If your child needs academic support this summer or if you are interested in enrichment opportunities in math, language arts, reading, social studies, science, music, or Spanish, contact Lucas Navia for tutoring options at 269-635-3839. He can do virtual or in-person, individual or group sessions. He is fingerprinted and background checked and currently works as a teacher’s aide in a private school in Ann Arbor while attending the University of Michigan.

**Attention Parents of 8th Graders:** To apply to attend Andrews Academy, please visit our website at [www.andrews.edu/aa](http://www.andrews.edu/aa), click on Admissions and New Student Enrollment. We'd love to have you at AA next school year! Call 269-471-3138 with any questions. From Andrews Academy
FYI--Important Dates and Upcoming Events for the Remainder of the Year

- Teacher Appreciation May 8-12
- Stand-in-My-Shoe Day May 9
- Spring Instrumental Concert May 16
- Spring Vocal Concert May 23
- 1st Schoolwide Grandparents Day May 19
- The TENT May 12-21
- Registration Day & STEAMS Showcase May 22
- Kindergarten End of Year Program May 25
- Graduation Sabbath (1st Service PMC) May 27
- No School--Memorial Day May 29
- Awards Day May 30
- Yearbook Reveal & Field Day May 31
- Graduation Ceremony (PMC) June 1
- Last Day of School (No Extend Ed) June 2

ACTLY JUSTLY. LOVE MERCY WALK HUMBLY WITH YOUR GOD! (Micah 6:8)

Wishing you a happy & productive week.

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