RHEEMARKS: February 6

Good Evening Rheem Team Families,

I hope you are getting a chance to enjoy this beautiful weather and spend time with your loved ones. February is in full swing, and I look forward to seeing your children at work this week.

This Week at Rheem:

Monday, February 7:

Regularly scheduled Monday

Tuesday, February 8:

- Lunchtime Dance Club hosted by Ms. Seli (during recess)
- MSD Governing Board Meeting at JM Library from 6:00-9:30 PM

Wednesday, February 9:

- Lunchtime Garden Club hosted by Ms. Inzeo (during recess)
- PTA Executive Board Meeting 8:45-10:15 in the Frank

Thursday, February 10:

Regularly scheduled Thursday

Friday, February 11:

Regularly scheduled Friday

School News and Highlights

Science Fair: Last Friday, 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders were treated to a presentation from the Science Fair committee. Co-chairs Doris Chen and Salome Sallehy and committee members Amy Yee and Tina Bentel shared with students all the fantastic things that go into being a part of the science fair. I mentioned to the students that science has never been more important in our lives, and I'm encouraged knowing that so many young

scientists are ready to participate in this year's fair. For more information on the Science Fair, please click <u>HERE</u>.

Read-a-thon Update

We have some exciting news...students have earned *Crazy Hair Day!!!* With over 90% participating at the end of week two, students will be enjoying a walk on the wild side (follicly speaking) on Thursday, February 17. If you haven't done so already, please be sure to add this week's hours through the <u>ONLINE FORM</u>.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with the Read-a-thon chairs: Karen Jaworski (karen@kjaworski.com) | Julia Herrington (juliawherrington@gmail.com)

Thank you, PTA

A couple of weeks ago, Rheem PTA treated our amazing staff to a coffee cart with all types of coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and waffles. It was a most welcome gesture of kindness and a big thank you to Johanna Morgan, Lori Polsky, and Casey Sproul for organizing the event and ensuring everything ran smoothly. The little things in life make such a big difference; thank you, Rheem families, and PTA for your continued support and generosity.

The Last Word...

My grandmother always used to say, "Where does the time go?" when we would visit her. Time is an amazing phenomenon. It seemed to be an endless supply as a child, and the days and weeks could go on forever. But a good reminder for all of us is that time, relatively speaking, is in short supply. Creating balance in our lives is such an important thing, and I read an article not too long ago called "Work-life balance is a cycle, not an achievement." It gave some pretty good tips on what to look for and how to create a better balance.

I know some things are easier said than done, and I need to practice more of what I preach. Still, anytime we can create more time for our families, children are the ultimate beneficiaries.

Thank you for all you do to enrich your children's lives, and if you have a couple of minutes, please give it a read.

There's no place like Rheem, Mr. Sullivan