RHEEMARKS: May 9th

Good Evening Rheem Team Families,

I hope this finds you enjoying a magnificent Mother's Day.

We are making our way through <u>CAASPP Testing</u>, and with Teacher Appreciation Week fresh in our minds, we head into the final weeks of school.

Please remember that Open House is this Thursday, May 12, 7:00-8:00 PM. It will also be a minimum day, where all students begin the day at 8:25 and are released at 12:12 PM.

This Week at Rheem:

Monday, May 9:

- Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month
- CAASPP Testing for 3rd-5th graders continues

<u>Tuesday, May 10:</u>

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

<u>Wednesday, May 11:</u>

- Coordinating Council Meeting from 3:30-5:00 in the JM Library
- Lunchtime Garden Club hosted by Ms. Inzeo (during recess)

<u>Thursday, May 12:</u>

- Minimum Day: 12:12 PM release for all students
- Rheem Open House from 7:00-8:00 PM

<u>Friday, May 13:</u>

• 4th and 5th grade Music Concert from 2:00-3:00

School News and Highlights

Teacher Appreciation Luncheon: Thank you to Rheem's PTA and Diana Citro (Ethan's mom) for this past Thursday's teacher appreciation luncheon. We were treated to special Cinco de Mayo with delicious Mexican food from Taqueria Zaragoza.

Walk Through the American Revolution: Rheem 5th graders traveled back in time this past week with the History Alive program, Walk Through the American Revolution. Thank you to Mrs. Cavallero, Ms. Gubser, and Mr. Greer for their hard work in providing our students with activities that help history come to life.

4th/5th Grade Music Concert this Friday (5/13)

This Friday, our 4th and 5th graders will be performing for their fellow classmates and families at Rheem. The show starts at 2:00 PM on the blacktop and will be one for the ages.

CAASPP Testing continues this week

<u>CAASPP Testing</u> continues this week for 3rd, 4th & 5th graders. As a reminder, please keep in mind that the best at-home preparations for these tests are a good night's sleep, a healthy breakfast, and a good attitude.

Student Medication Pick Up

A parent must pick up current medications(s) from the school office by noon on the last day of school, Friday, May 27. Any medication(s) or supplies left in the school office after June 3 will be discarded (thrown away).

If you need to bring in medication for your child next year, please complete the appropriate form(s) for prescription medications or over-the-counter medications. The student's physician must sign prescription medication forms. A separate form is required for more than one medication.

You can download the appropriate forms from Rheem's website. Go to the Resources link, and then click on Forms. (<u>Over the Counter</u>, <u>Prescription</u>)

Medication(s) and completed forms may be brought to the school office after August 2, 2022, before beginning school on August 9.

If your 5th-grade student is moving on to JM and needs medication kept in the JM office, don't hesitate to contact the JM office at 376-7206 for forms and procedures.

AUHSD Spring Fest this Saturday, May 14

This Saturday, students from Campolindo, Miramonte, and Acalanes high schools will be hosting a Spring Fair for children of all ages at the Moraga Commons from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. There will be food trucks, booths with arts and crafts activities, a fashion show, entertainment, and more.

The Last Word...

It's only fitting that we celebrate Mother's Day right after spending a week recognizing our teachers for all their hard work. After all, our first teachers were most likely the women who brought us into this world. And although our experiences may vastly differ, what is consistent across the ages is that the backbone of all societies has been the work of mothers.

We are very fortunate to have so many wonderful volunteers at Rheem, and it is not a surprise that the overwhelming majority of them are moms. There is no better way for our children to learn what it means to be selfless than to follow the example set by the mothers of Rheem. Some notable work by Rheem mom's this year:

- Roadrunner Day Chair Casey Sproul
- Back to School Teacher Luncheon host Diana Citro
- Summer Reading Chair Jill Balazs
- Parent Social Chairs Anjuli Cargain, Tammy Aguillon, and Amy Vig
- Fun(d) Run Coordinators Lauren Chiang, Krissy Ward, and Meredith Henning
- Reflections Chair Adrienne White
- Read-a-thon Chairs Karen Jaworski and Julia Herrington
- Global Art, Culture and Food Night Anjuli Cargain and Tammy Aguillon
- Science Fair Committee Tina Bentel, Amy Chen-Yee, Barbora Chindarkarova, Cori Constantine, Flora Shin, Emily Trieu, Salome Sallehy (co-chair), and Doris Chen (co-chair)

- Variety Show Chairs Courtney Pickering and Jill Balazs
- Spring Picnic Dawn Novak and Tenaya Garrett
- Yearbook Chairs Molly Devinger and Dorota Jozefiak
- Room Parent Volunteer Coordinator Jackie Bronson
- Roadrunner Review Newsletter Editors Meghan Hetke, Nicole Brambila, and Lauren Carter
- PTA Board Members: Johanna Morgan (Executive VP), Kristin Egan (Treasurer), Lindsey Carr (Financial Secretary), Kelly Lack (Recording Secretary)

All said, Rheem moms dedicated over 10,000 hours to our school, which of course, is in addition to managing households, work schedules, family responsibilities, and so much more.

My grandfather used to say, "If you need help with something that NEEDS to get done, be sure you ask a busy person." His sage advice obviously had Rheem mothers in mind. Thank you to all of our moms here at Rheem. We'd be lost without you!!

There's no place like Rheem, Mr. Sullivan