

RHEEMARKS: MARCH 21st

Good Evening Rheem Team Families,

There is a lot going on at Rheem, and the district, this week. From a special school board meeting on Tuesday, to a superintendent search/feedback meeting on Wednesday, and a Spirit Assembly to top things off on Friday, you will want to keep reading to make sure you don't miss anything.

*Remember this Friday, March 26th is a minimum day with all students on Zoom until 10:45AM and no cohorts on campus.

**Remember: Spring Break is the week of March 29th – April 2nd.

This Week at Rheem:

Monday, March 22nd:

- Cohort A on campus from 12:15-3:00
- Full Distance Learning Students w/ FDL teachers
- Art & Kindness Club 11:00-11:30 ([Zoom Link](#))

Tuesday, March 23rd:

- Cohort A on campus from 12:15-3:00
- Full Distance Learning Students w/ FDL teachers
- Kids on the Run Club 11:00-11:30 ([Zoom link](#))
- Special School Board Meeting – Study Session Opportunity for School Schedule Planning (7:00PM start) ([Zoom link](#))

Wednesday, March 24th:

- All students full distance learning
- Coordinating Council Meeting 3:30-5:00 ([Zoom Link](#))
- Storytime Club 11:00-11:30 ([Zoom link](#))
- Rheem Family Community Meeting for Superintendent Search (6:00-7:00PM [Zoom link](#))

Thursday, March 25th:

- Cohort B on campus from 12:15-3:00
- Full Distance Learning Students w/ FDL teachers
- Keep Calm & Dance On Club 11:00-11:30 ([Zoom link](#))

Friday, March 26th:

- Minimum Day: No cohorts on campus
- Spirit Assemblies
 - o 3rd–5th grades 8:35-9:10
 - o K–2nd grades 10:10-10:45
- Fun Fridays Club 11:00-11:30 ([Zoom link](#))

Congratulations Mrs. Webster – Moraga Rotary Club Teacher of the Month

Second grade teacher Kristy Webster has been awarded the Moraga Rotary Club Teacher of the Month for March. Mrs. Webster is such an amazing teacher, whose deep knowledge of the curriculum and how children learn is unmatched only by her patience and kindness. We are so proud of all the work she does here at Rheem and in the community.

Congratulations to Mrs. Webster and all the amazing students in her class for their hard work.

Special School Board Meeting this Tuesday (3/23)

A study session opportunity for school schedule planning

This Tuesday at 7:00PM will be a special school board study session meeting to discuss and answer questions around potential plans and schedules to increase in-person instruction.

There are two options members of the public can use to participate in the closed session (for public comment only) and open meeting via Zoom:

Option 1: Join Zoom Webinar using a computer and enter

<https://zoom.us/j/98834748675?pwd=OTNLNGpVcnp5MXJxUjZLTEI5VU5sQT09>

Option 2: Call in using a normal telephone; dial 1 669 900 6833 US; Webinar ID: 988 3474 8675

Superintendent Search – This Wednesday (3/21)

The Rheem Parent Community is invited to meet with superintendent search consultants HYA this Wednesday, March 24, from 6:00-7:00 PM. Zoom link:

<https://uscrossier.zoom.us/j/6139539048>

HYA has also created a survey that they would like everyone to complete for the superintendent search. Please take a moment and fill out the survey using this link -

<https://ecrasurvey.com/moraga2021>

Help Wanted: T.A. Position at Rheem

Two Rheem T.A.s are currently on leave, and we are looking for individuals who are interested in filling in. The position is a 18.75 hour a week position. As a teaching assistant you will help support students during school hours, and also support students and staff with yard duty responsibilities. Please email me if you are interested in learning more (bsullivan@moraga.k12.ca.us).

The Last Word...

Each May I do my best to pay homage to the hardest job in the world...motherhood. It makes sense to do so in May with a day solely dedicated to them and a whole greeting card industry relying on it. I thoroughly enjoy shining a light on the unapparelled work of moms everywhere. I don't however do the same for the dads out there. In fairness, when Father's Day comes around in June we are on summer break and all of you get a respite from my weekly Rheemarks.

If it made any sense at all, I would love to send a message to families each Father's Day discussing the amazing work dads do too. I imagine the "Last Word" where I would share the story of Dick Hoyt. I first read of Mr. Hoyt in Sports Illustrated about 15 years ago in an article titled, "[Strongest Dad in the World](#)" (if you have a few minutes I strongly recommend you give it a read). It tells the awe-inspiring story of a father and his severely disabled son running in marathons, triathlons and other races. Racing together not only changed their lives, but even saved one of them. Dick Hoyt pushed his son Rick, who is a

quadriplegic and suffers from cerebral palsy, in over 1000 road races including 32 Boston Marathons, 6 Iron Man Triathlons and a 45-day running and cycling race across America.

You may ask yourself, why are you writing about this now? Well, Dick Hoyt passed away this past week at the age of 80, and I've taken it as a sign to finally show all of the Rheem fathers out there my respect and admiration they so deserve. Although you may not be running thousands of races with your children, you are doing the work that will resonate long after a runner crosses the finish line, you are giving your children the love and support they need to be successful now, and later in life. Whether by pouring your child(ren) a bowl of cereal (forgive me if I'm projecting my cooking skills), reading a story at bedtime, tossing a ball, dancing a TikTok, helping with homework, dropping them off on Laird or getting the online for school, you giving your children your undivided time in their mind, spells "UNCONDITIONAL LOVE."

Kudos to all of your hard work, it truly does make the world of difference.

There's no place like Rheem,

Mr. Sullivan