

April 7, 2019

Dear Rheem Team Families,

I hope this finds all Rheem Team members enjoying the last day of Spring Break and ready to come back to school tomorrow, Monday, April 8th.

Our last week before Spring Break was quite memorable, with a spectacular infusion of Rheem Pride for our "Spirit Week." We also celebrated our successful Read-a-thon on Friday with "Pajama Day" by attending Spirit Assemblies in our cozy nighttime gear.

For more details about the Spirit Assembly as well as other news, see all the features below...

This Week at Rheem:

Monday, April 8th:

- WELCOME BACK
- Regularly scheduled Monday

Tuesday, April 9th:

- Regularly scheduled Tuesday

Wednesday, April 10th:

- 2nd Grade field trip to Heather Farms

Thursday, April 11th:

- Kindergarten Orientation in the Frank from 9:30-10:30
- Fiscal Advisory Committee meeting from 3:40-5:10 at JM

Friday, April 12th:

- 5th Graders visit JM for an orientation and walk through

School News and Highlights

- Friday before break saw some of Rheem's amazing school spirit on display at the Spirit Assemblies. K-5th graders got a chance to celebrate each other's accomplishments with Gold Slips being pulled and a lucky group of K-2nd graders came on stage to show off their dance moves. 3rd – 5th graders also were treated

to an opportunity to trip the light fantastic and they even saw Mrs. Culleton and her able footed dancers defeat Mr. Sullivan in a dance off. Kudos to all of our Gold Slip winners and to Rheem's very own dance squad for a all their hard work and accomplishments.

Save the Dates!

Rotary Field Day is scheduled for Wednesday, May 8 beginning at 3:00 at JM. All 3rd – 5th graders are encouraged to participate in this annual Track and Field event. More details to follow.

Also, make sure you have the following events marked on your calendars:

- Rheem Science Fair: Thursday, April 25th from 5:30-7:00PM in the Frank
- Rotary Field Day: Wednesday, May 8th from 3:00-6:00PM at JM
- Rheem Spring Picnic: Friday, May 10th from 4:30-7:00PM
- Rheem Open House: Thursday, May 23rd from 7:00-8:00 PM

Did You Know?

Measure V construction is ramping up at Rheem

In the event you were on campus the past several weeks you noticed that Roadrunner Field has had some work done. Construction crews were busy preparing the space for 5 new portables, which were placed over Spring Break. The portables will be used as classrooms for Wing 3 rooms next school year during Measure V construction. You will also notice a brand-new sign to greet you at the top of Laird thanking you for your support of Measure V and helping to make Rheem, and all the schools in Moraga, an even better place.

Moraga School District Board Vacancy

Former Governing Board President Joe Rosenbaum resigned from the Board in March having moved out of the area. We are grateful to Mr. Rosenbaum for his steadfast commitment, creative solutions and leadership as Board president.

Tuesday, March 12, 2019, the Governing Board voted to approve appointing a new Board member to complete Mr. Rosenbaum's term.

Governing Board members serve as the primary body for setting school district policy and direction, and overseeing District finances in order to provide all Moraga children with the education they need now and in the future. The vacancy will be filled via an appointment process. Once appointed, the new Governing Board member will serve in office until the December 2020 Governing Board meeting. To continue serving beyond December 2020, this Governing Board member will have to file for candidacy and run in November 2020 for

a four-year term as an elected Governing Board member. The formal announcement for filling the vacancy can be found [HERE](#). Information about the application and appointment process can be found [HERE](#). An informational meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, April 9, 2019, at the Joaquin Moraga Intermediate School library for persons who are interested in learning more about the appointment process and the roles and responsibilities of Governing Board members. Applicants are welcome to contact Governing Board members and the superintendent about the process, commitment, and responsibilities of Board members.

The Last Word...

At our Spirit Assembly on Friday before break we talked about the importance of having fun and being happy. 18 students (one from each class), had their Gold Slips pulled and got a chance to take part in a relay race where they carried objects of varying sizes on a spoon to a cup placed 30 feet away. The Frank was rocking as each member of the audience cheered on their classmates. You could call it an exercise in FUN. After that, 18 students were invited on stage to dance to the song "[Happy](#)" by [Pharrell Williams](#). Another activity in being HAPPY. At the conclusion of the Spirit Assembly I challenged each student to accomplish two things over break...have fun and be happy.

In today's busy world it's easy to get caught up in things that keep us from having fun, and inevitably being as happy as we should be. I strongly recommend you take a moment and watch the video link above to Pharrell William's song, and if you feel real adventurous have a dance contest with your child(ren)...I guarantee it will put a smile on your face and give you a chance to check the boxes for my challenge of HAVING FUN AND BEING HAPPY.

There's no place like Rheem,
Mr. Sullivan