

## **RHEEMARKS: May 23rd**

**Good Evening Rheem Team Families,**

We have a busy week in store, with lots of special year-end events on campus. Some highlights include the Staff vs. 5th-grade Kickball Game on Tuesday and the final Spirit Assembly honoring 5th graders on Wednesday, and year-end parties for all the classrooms.

There will be one last RHEEMARKS edition sent out next Sunday to capture the highlights from the last week of school and to provide final information about summer programs. Without further ado, here are the rest of this week's RHEEMARKS.

### **This Week at Rheem:**

#### **Monday, May 24:**

Regularly scheduled Monday

#### **Tuesday, May 25:**

Regularly scheduled Tuesday

5th Grade vs. Staff Kickball Game

#### **Wednesday, May 26:**

All K-5th students (8:25-1:50)

Full Distance Learning Students with their teacher on Zoom (8:25-1:50)

5th Grade Spirit Assembly/Celebration

5th Grade luncheon

#### **Thursday, May 27:**

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Minimum Day – (all students dismissed at 12:12)

#### **Friday, May 21- Monday, August 9:**

Summer Break

## School News and Highlights

·All six grade levels participated in spirit assemblies this week, with the theme being what it means to be happy and have fun. Students heard from American Statesman, Ben Franklin who said, "*We do not stop playing because we grow old. We grow old because we stop playing,*" and author Mark Twain "*The best way to cheer yourself up is to try to cheer somebody else up.*" It is an excellent message for all of us to know that happiness is best experienced with others, and fun is meant for those actively pursuing it, no matter what their age.

·Last Thursday was the MSD retirement ceremony, where the district was able to honor three Rheem staff. Third-grade teacher Mrs. Ralph and teaching assistants Pascale Hardin and MaryBeth Tanner are retiring after a combined 53 years of service to Rheem. A thank you never seems to be enough for those who dedicate their lives to the benefit of others, but we send our most sincere appreciation to all three ladies for their commitment to the students, families, and staff at Rheem.

·This past week our 3rd graders took part in Rheem's "Native American Days." These lessons were created to help students appreciate and understand the impact Native Americans have had on us. Kudos to our third-grade teachers for sharing these lessons and shining a light on the influence of our state's ancestors.

## Last Call: Volunteers for Afternoon Dismissal Needed

Please consider signing up [HERE](#) to help with afternoon dismissal. Below are the number of volunteers we still need for this week:

·Monday: 2:30 release NO volunteers needed

·Tuesday: 2:30 release 2 volunteers needed

·Wednesday: 1:50 release 4 volunteers needed (all students out at 1:50)

·Thursday: 12:12 release NO volunteers needed (minimum day – early release for everyone)

Thank you to everyone who has had a chance to volunteer so far. We could not make this happen without your support.

## Supply Kits Now Available for 2021-22 School Year

*Order Your 2021-22 School Supply Kits Now*

Rheem families can order their school supplies for next year! To purchase online, please visit <https://www.sydneypaigeinc.com/collections/rheemkits> and follow the easy steps.

We plan for kits to be made available for pick-up at Roadrunner Day, Monday, August 9 (the day before school begins). Picking up kits on Roadrunner Day is OPTIONAL. Kits, not picked up, will be delivered directly to your student for the first day.

The ordering window closes Sunday, May 30, so don't delay, order yours today! For more detailed information about the Sydney Paige Company, please click [HERE](#).

## Summer Reading Opportunities

Camp Read S'More is Rheem's annual Summer Reading program.

Simply read, read, read all summer long, and have your child log

what they read on the Camp Read S'More forms. In August, when school starts, please enter your student's reading amounts via our Summer Reading Google form to receive an acknowledgment at a Spirit Assembly, a bookmark, and a special prize for our most avid readers!

<https://dres-msd-ca.schoolloop.com/summerreading>

In the Fall, you will enter in your student's number of pages (or books)

on this Google form.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdLXYWKBVGI\\_mtoSWtrtC6ZpD\\_S-3mu\\_hqhhhoZHLhyhtGMY0XQ/viewform?gxids=7628](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdLXYWKBVGI_mtoSWtrtC6ZpD_S-3mu_hqhhhoZHLhyhtGMY0XQ/viewform?gxids=7628)

Happy Reading!

## **Don't Forget to Pack a Snack this Week**

Please remember to pack a snack for your student this week. Even though there will be class parties, luncheons, and a minimum day going on this week, every student still needs a snack for their morning boost.

## **Busy Week for 5th Graders**

5th grade has a busy final week at Rheem. The fun is listed below:

### **·Monday**

oWear your Class of 2019 T-Shirts today and all week!

o5th grade Field Day – The Amazing Race

### **·Tuesday**

oAnnual 5th Grade vs. Staff Kickball game

### **·Wednesday**

o5th grade Spirit Assembly

oFaculty/5th Grade Luncheon following the assembly

### **·Thursday**

oMinimum Day – 12:12 Dismissal

## **Lost and Found Items**

The Rheem Lost and Found racks and bin are full. Please make sure to check for possible clothing, lunch boxes, water bottles, etc., that your child might have "lost" before the end of this week. The racks and bin can be found outside the office.

On Tuesday, June 1st, all remaining items will be donated to charity.

## **The Last Word...**

Forty-one weeks ago, I sent the year's first RHEEMARKS. I referred to the first day of school as being one like no other and the excitement and uncertainty of new

**beginnings. I have always said, a new school year is like a renaissance, a rebirth of learning and friendships where our children set out on an adventure to create new memories with old friends and new. With this year, that rebirth was experienced from a distance. To say it was challenging is an understatement, and yet through it, all our children were still able to connect with their teachers and peers and learn. We are near the end of this year's adventure, and I'd like to extend a special thank you to every single Rheem family for supporting your student to the fullest and for your help guiding them on this unforgettable journey.**

**I look forward to a great final week.**

**There's no place like Rheem,**

**Mr. Sullivan**