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PRINCIPAL's MESSAGE

Hello parents and guardians,

What an outstanding year! As I look back over the past ten months, there are always many people to thank, and not forget a thank you is challenging; if I miss any group, I apologize in advance. I would like to thank all of our PAC volunteers and members for their work this year. Without their ongoing support, effort, and time, our school would not be able to do all the fantastic things we do for students and families. I would like to thank all the coaches (parents, community members, staff, and others) who dedicate countless hours to providing sports opportunities for our students. I would like to thank our outside groups and volunteers who come into our school and provide programming and exciting events for our students. I would like to thank the staff for all their work supporting learning, achievement, and well-being for our school community. And lastly, but never least, I would like to thank our students for being the best middle school students in the district; we will miss those who are moving on to RSS or elsewhere, and are looking forward to welcoming a new group of students from our outstanding community.

There are some important events coming up on the RMS calendar (please see below). I wanted to put in a plug for encouraging parents/guardians to attend our Presentations of Learning on June 25-27. Your child's Mentorship teachers have likely already been in contact with you to set up presentation times; your being part of the audience is what makes our day so amazing, and we are aiming to have each student with at least one family member in attendance for them. It is a truly special time for students and families, and each year the bar gets raised higher and higher. If you are unable to attend for your child's presentation, we encourage a family member (ie. grandmother, uncle, etc.) to attend in your place. Having a real-life audience of peers, teachers, and individuals who care is so important in making your child's Presentation of Learning a great experience.

Lastly, I wanted to touch base regarding next year. If you would like to contact Rob or myself in the office to speak about your child's placement, we should have teaching teams and student schedules mostly complete by the middle/end of June. Please send us an email, give us a phone call, or drop in to see us, and we will be happy to do our best to accommodate requests that are in your child's best educational interests. We would much rather have conversations in June than try to make changes a month into the school year which is very disruptive to your child's educational experience.

Have a wonderful June, and a safe and relaxing summer holiday break when it arrives!

Important Dates for June 2018

June 1 - Gr. 8s Track & Field Provincial meet - Kamloops

June 5 - Math Fair with Ms. Ikari/Mrs. Parker in the Gym 1:03-3:10 pm

June 6 - Gr. 6 Track & Field meet at the Apple Bowl

\$45.00 charge which can be paid online.

June 8 - Gymnastics for Kelliher/Harris/Demarinis/Dennis classes

\$5.00 charge – please pay online

June 11 – Hall Rd Pond – Fishing for Kelliher/Harris classes. **Pay online 2.00 per student.**

June 11 - Athletic Banquet 5:00-6:30 pm (school cafeteria)

June 13 – Gr 5s "Welcome" BBQ 10:15 am-12:15 pm

June 15 – All library books returned to the library as library closes as of the 15th

June 18 - Gr. 6's to Atlantis – PAC/school to cover cost

Gr. 7's to Greenbay Resort

Gr. 8's to Gyro beach

June 21 – National Indigenous Peoples Day

June 25-27 - POL Days

June 28 - Report cards go home (school hours 9:07-10:15 am and busses running)

June 29 - Administrative Day (no school)

August 27 - Gr. 8 WEB Leader Training 8:00 am- 4:00 pm

August 28 – Gr. 8 WEB Leader Training 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

August 30 – Grade 6 WEB Orientation Day **9-11:30 am**/Parent info session **9-10:00 am**

Sept 04 - School opens for the 2018-2019 year

Library - Hard to believe it is June already. Please start looking for all library materials. In early June students will be given a list of what they have signed out. Please return all signed out items to the library by Friday June 15th. Students will be billed for any lost or damaged items. If you have any questions please contact the library staff.

MOVING? - If you are moving or know someone who is moving and will not be attending Rutland Middle School in September please let the office know. Contact the office at 250 870 5109. It is important for us to know so that we can have accurate numbers for September.