

From: The Desk of the principal  
Date: October 7, 2024  
**To: RMES Parents & Guardians**

Re: Pertinent Reminders & Updates Wk. 8, 1Qt. 24-25

Wishing all a good final week of the 1st Quarter and preparation for a well-earned Fall Break! This day provides students and teachers a little time to slow down from the rigor of the classroom work to spend a relaxing day with family. Compliments to the students for their hard work, especially those who have been keeping up with class assignments in a timely manner, including your nightly reading and log! Best wishes to everyone (students, teachers, & parents) for a safe and wonderful day off. You've earned it!

**End of First Quarter:** The first quarter (grading period) ends this **Friday, October 11, 2024**. Parents, thank you so much for your collaboration and support of everything that we have done during this first quarter, both in the classroom and schoolwide. I hope by now you know that ensuring the total development, spiritual, mental, social-emotional, and physical wellbeing of our students is our primary focus. During this quarter we did have a few challenges, but nothing to complain about because our God has been faithful. Before we called, He was there to answer and fight the battle for us. Praise the Lord for a good first quarter!

**Parent Concert:** RMES Music Teachers and students are working hard to be ready for their first performance this **Thursday, October 10, 2024, at 6:30pm**. The Concert Band, Orchestra, Hand Bells and for the first time Choirs will be featured at RMES Annual Parent Concert. The goal of this concert is to showcase the students' progress in music since the start of the school year. Expect more details about the concert from Ms. Elsy and Mr. Cerna, our music teachers. Looking forward to seeing the parents of the performers.

**End of Quarter Spirit Day—PINK DAY:** In observance of Cancer Awareness Month, we would like to encourage ALL students and staff to wear **PINK** to show solidarity with the cancer survivors and those who are battling cancer in our school family and community. I invite you to send the names of family members and/or friends who are either battling cancer or are Cancer Survivors. Have your students place the names in our Prayer Box or give it to their teacher. In our Prayer Grow Group on Thursday we will lift these individuals up to the Great Physician for continued anointing and healing. This Friday is **PINK DAY!**

**After School Tutoring:** If you have approved for your student to receive after school tutoring with university students, please be reminded that tutoring is on Mondays 3:45-4:45p.m. Please be sure to confirm your child's attendance and pick-up arrangements with one of the Jr. High teachers or Mrs. Cancel. Hoping all of the students who were invited to join the tutoring sessions can attend.

**2nd Quarter:** As we transition into the 2nd Quarter (**October 14-December 19, 2024**), please be aware that there are a few end-of-quarter requirements that will overlap from the 1st Quarter:

- **Grades:** Please check Jupiter with your 3-8 grade student to ensure there are no missing assignments. In case you do not see a grade that you expect should have been recorded because

your child did the assignment, do not hesitate to check-in with the homeroom or subject teacher.  
· **Report Cards and MAP Test results** will be given at Parent-Teacher Conference.

**Parent-Teacher Conference:** This the first of two annually scheduled Parent-Teacher Conferences (PTC). Your first PTC is scheduled for **October 23 and 24, 2024**. Please plan accordingly as these two days will be half-day for students and half-day for conferences. That means students will be dismissed and ready for **pick-up at 12:15pm**. Parents are invited to make an appointment for a one-on-one conference with their classroom teacher/s. I would like to strongly encourage you to make every effort not to miss this first and most important conference, which gives parents the opportunity to make a personal connection with your students' teacher/s to share any questions or concerns about your child's/children's academic, social-emotional development and strengthen communication for the future. Look for Cyndi's announcement to let you know when the online portal is accessible for appointments.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip to LIFT:** This morning 33 8<sup>th</sup> graders accompanied by seven chaperones (teachers and parents) left by bus to Camp Au Sable. They will join other Jr. High students from the MI Conference for this annual Spiritual Retreat. Please join us in prayers for God's mercies and a Spirit-filled experience for our 8th graders while they are away from home through Wednesday, October 9. Please pray for the 7<sup>th</sup> graders and their teachers, Mrs. Bailey & Mrs. Martin, who are keeping the JH thriving at homebase.

**Invitation to RMES Prayer Grow Group:** Thanks to the four faithful parents who stop by every Thursday morning to unite in prayer for our students, teachers, and families. We need your help to increase the prayer power on Thursdays, however, if you absolutely cannot join in person, please pray (between 8:15-8:45AM) wherever you are for our students and staff.

**Pastor Appreciation:** This Pastor Appreciation Month, please pray for our campus and community pastors and chaplains. I believe God will hear and answer our requests, just as He has promised.

### **Your Home & School Needs You for the following Upcoming Events**

#### **Repeat Announcements:**

*Bike-a-Thon / Walk-a-Thon -- Home & School will be hosting a Bike-a-Thon / Walk-a-Thon on Sunday, October 20, from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. at the RMES Track. We invite all RMES families to attend this fun event. We are encouraging each RMES student to aim to raise at least \$100 in sponsors. Students should have now received their packets with pledge forms. Sponsors can be friends, family, church members, etc. Parents are welcome to sponsor students, but are not required to. The grade that raises the most per student in the grade will receive a pizza party from Home & School. 10% of the proceeds from this fundraiser will go to Home & School for future events and the remaining funds will go to RMES for capital improvements, namely the carpet upgrade project. Please RSVP for this event by October 11 using the following link: <https://forms.gle/icR6s5Nsjw3BCvZz6>*

**Multi-Cultural Fair** – *This year's Multi-cultural Fair will take place on Sunday, November 10. If you are willing to help with the multi-cultural fair, please sign up using the following link: <https://forms.gle/rjFwtKu9FgBPLFvC8>. We are in need of booth leaders and team members, folks to help with setup and cleanup, etc.*

**Please mark your calendar for the upcoming planning meetings which will take place at 7pm on the dates below. Hope to see more of you online this evening.**

- **Tuesday, September 24**
- **Sunday, October 6**
- **Wednesday, October 16**
- **Monday, October 28**
- **Sunday, November 3**

**You can connect to the calls using the following Zoom information: <https://andrews.zoom.us/j/3232680158> Or use Meeting ID: 323 268 0158.**

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

- **October 6-9 – 8th Graders at LIFT**
- **October 10 – RMES Parent Concert**
- **October 11 – End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter**
- **October 14 – Fall Break (NO SCHOOL)**
- **October 20 – RMES Bike & Walk-A-Ton**
- **October 28-Nov. 1-- Fall Week of Prayer**

**School Theme: This is My Father's World**

**Here's a Promise for You:**

"This is what the Lord, the God of your father David, says: I have heard your prayer and seen your tears; I will heal you." 2 Kings 20:5

Thank you for your prayers and support. May the Lord bless you and keep you safe this new week!

Blessings  
Evelyn P. Savory

**TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE!**

