A Message from Mrs. Murphy

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is hard to believe that this year is quickly coming to an end and this will be our last newsletter for the year! We have walked by faith so many times this year and we will continue to do so over the summer.

We have a few personnel changes that I wanted to make you aware of. Mrs. Wist has been offered and has accepted the new PreK3 teaching position. We look forward to her expertise in getting this new program started! Ms. Olszewski will be moving to Charlotte, North Carolina and will be teaching in a school down there. We wish Ms. Olszewski the best of luck on her exciting new adventure! We have hired Mrs. Meredith Miller as one of the kindergarten teachers. Mrs. Miller comes to us as an experienced teacher from the Columbia Academy. We are still interviewing for a second kindergarten teacher for next year.

Ms. Urbanski is finishing up her Masters Degree in Administration and will do her internship next year as an instructional coach, helping to assist with the teachers in their day to day teaching. We are pleased to announce that Mrs. Shontz will be filling Ms. Urbanski’s teaching position with Ms. Johnston.

Ms. Michels has completed her Masters Degree as a reading specialist and she will be taking the full-time position next fall. Ms. Schmidt will be going down to 5th grade to work with Ms. DiPietro. We will be interviewing for a full time middle school language arts teacher in the coming weeks.

Finally, Mrs. O’Connell has been offered and has accepted a full time job with a defense contractor and will be leaving us at the end of this year after 11 years with us! We wish her the best of luck in her exciting new career. We will be reorganizing our administrative team over the summer to make sure we work even more efficiently and effectively to serve the needs of the staff, students, and parents.

Tomorrow we say goodbye to our 8th graders, next Tuesday to our PreK students and next Friday to the whole school. As everyone starts to transition to summer, we are once again reminded that we walk by faith, and NOT by sight if we put our trust into God’s hands! We hope you can join us for our end of the year farewell prayer service next Friday, June 9th at 11am in the church. Dismissal will follow. We will not have any afterschool care that afternoon.

Coming home next week with the report cards will be the summer reading/math assignments as well as standardized test scores for each student in grades 2-7. I will be sending updates and reminders next Sunday evening and during the week as needed.

On behalf of the faculty and staff at RSPS, we want to sincerely thank you for your generosity in your gifts of gratitude as we end this year. Your donations allowed our staff to purchase gift certificates to help them with their summertime activities. Our staff is so creative and driven, we hope to update you this summer on some of their fun adventures!

May each of you have a blessed summer that is filled with making great memories and taking the time to put down the electronics and really enjoy the company of good friends and relatives! Please don’t take those relaxing “down” times for granted. Life is too short! May God bless you all and keep you and your families safe!

Peace,
Karen Murphy
Principal

UPCOMING DATES:

Thursday, June 1
+8th grade graduation

Friday, June 2
+5K & Fun Run
+Family Movie Night

Tuesday, June 6
+PreK and K celebration
+Last day for PreK
+Vocelli Pizza fundraiser

Wednesday, June 7
+12:30 dismissal
+No after school bus service

Thursday, June 8
+12:30 dismissal
+No after school bus service

Friday, June 9
+12:30 dismissal
+No After-Care
+No after school bus service
+Last day for students!

HAPPY SUMMER
Medication Pick-Up

All student medications must be retrieved from the Health Room no later than 1:00pm, on Friday, June 9th. Medication that is not picked up by this time will be discarded. Please note, all emergency medications must remain in the health room until the last day of classes. “As needed” medications may be picked up at any time on, or before, June 9th at 1:00pm.

PowerSchool Access

We wanted to let you know that the Archdiocese only closed parent access to 8th grade students on Friday since those grades close early. The rest of the school should still have parent access available until the end of the school year. We apologize for any confusion.

6th Grade Reminder

As a reminder, the State of Maryland requires that all students entering grade 7 in 2017 receive the Tetanus-Diphtheria-Pertussis (Tdap) and Meningococcal vaccines. Since these immunizations are typically administered during the 11 or 12 year-old physical exam, it is likely your child has already received these vaccines or, will receive them at the next physical exam. Please make sure your child has received the required immunizations and send the updated vaccine record to school prior to the start of the 2017-2018 school year. Students for whom we do not have updated vaccine records must, by law, be excluded from school. If you have any questions or require vaccine assistance, please contact Mrs. Rice at nurse@resstpaul.org.

Outstanding Balances

Please note, if you have an outstanding balance with the school or hot lunch program, the school may not release progress reports to students and records will not be released if students are graduating or leaving RSPS. Those who have an outstanding balance have been contacted.

Transportation

Next week, we do not have bus service home on our 12:30pm dismissal days, Wednesday through Friday. After-Care will be available Wednesday and Thursday until 6:00pm but not available on Friday.

5K & Fun Run UPDATES

We are getting excited for our 2nd Annual 5K & Fun Run on Friday evening! Registration is still open online or you may also register on Friday at the race beginning at 5:00pm.

ALL participants must pick up a packet in order to participate.

Pick-Up will be in MP Room #4, Thursday, June 1 / 3:00-7:00pm Friday, June 2 / 8:00-10:00am.

A Sign Up Genius was sent out Tuesday asking for some help before and during the race!! We need some adults along the course in order to guide runners. Thank you for any help you can offer!

IN OUR PRAYERS

For all who are sick and are in need of God’s healing presence. Especially:

Cathy Frederick—Sister of Ms. Frederick (2A)
Harriott Bethke—Grandmother of Sal Belfaire (1A)
John & Helen Collins—Grandparents of Madeleine Frechette (6B)
Robert Moks—Great uncle of Luke Larcher (7A)
Tim Michels—Father of Ms. Michels (5B)
Joseph Gualardo—Father of Mrs. Tomko (PKB)
Greg Florenzo—Former RSPS dad
Frank Longwell—Grandfather of Tyler (6B) and Joshua (4B) Longwell
Maryann Miller—Grandmother of Rhys (5A) and Siora (7B) Rummel

For all who are deceased, may God grant them eternal rest. Especially:

Ted Moran—Uncle of Emi (7B) and Tanner (4B) Moran

A Small Glimpse into 2016-2017

Thank You And God Bless

Have A Wonderful Summer

News and Notes submissions are due by 10:00 a.m. on Monday, later submissions may need to be printed the following week. Please email all submissions to newsletter@resstpaul.org.