

MMS Friday Notes

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Hello families,

It's hard to believe that next week is already October! If you are anything like me, you are in the middle of fall sports season (my oldest is a soccer player - #soccermom) and your children are settling into the middle school routine. I thank you all for the amazing turnout at all of our Open Houses and the fabulous feedback that I shared with staff. All three of the Open Houses went well and we are truly excited to partner with you this year!

This week's notes are brief:

- 6th grade had their Team Day today and it was a success! Team information can be found on the Team Pages. Upcoming team days are:

Teal 10/4, Navy 10/7, Maroon 10/12, Green 10/14, Gold 10/19, Blue 10/20, Aqua 10/21, Purple 10/24

- Picture Day is Oct 6th & 7th. Pre-order pictures here: [Middlesex Middle photo prepay active until Oct. 14th code "mms22"](#) or please see use this information sheet: [Middlesex Middle Underclass Packages 2022-23.pdf](#) Please contact the photographer directly with any questions.
- If you are wondering about the SBA results for your child, please join Julie Droller, Director for Elementary Education and District Testing Coordinator, for a virtual parent presentation. You can view the information here: [Standardized Testing Results - Parent Presentation](#)
- A reminder, please review the [MMS Clubs](#) with your student. Late buses will run Tuesday 9/27 and Thursday 9/29 next week. Every week after, late buses will run Monday – Thursday. Academic Center and Viva Voce/Camerata Singers are the only clubs that require sign-ups/try-outs. For all other clubs, students just need to attend the meetings. There are two late buses that leave MMS around 3:45pm. Students would ride the bus that has a stop closest to their home. Late bus routes can be found here: <https://www.darienps.org/departments/transportation/late-bus-routes>
- For 6th grade parents, you can find the counselor presentation here: [6th Grade Counselors](#)
- There is no school on Monday 9/26 in observance of Rosh Hashanah.
- Students should wear their MMS clothing or dress in blue and grey/silver for our MMS School Spirit Day on Thursday, September 29th.

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN YOUR CHILD UP FOR THE 2022/23 TOPS PROGRAM!

TOPS (Teen Options) is sponsored by the Darien Youth Commission, endorsed by MMS, and made possible through the generous involvement of parent volunteers. There are five 6th grade events, five 7th grade events & six 8th grade events throughout the school year. Annual membership (requirement to attend any TOPS events) is free however, there are cost-covering entrance fees associated with each event. And parent involvement is absolutely a must in order to ensure fun and safe events for your kids. Please visit the [DYC website](#) for information regarding registration, activities, dates & fees and volunteer opportunities

I hope you have a wonderful long weekend. Enjoy the extra day together.

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