

# MMS Friday Notes - 2023!

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Hello families,

Happy New Year! We are now ending our first week of 2023. It was a nice week to be reminded of the joys of family and friends, and a time to slow down and enjoy their company. Our family enjoyed many game nights, watching Avatar 2 at the movies, and a trip to Dave and Busters for some fun. My kids still cannot beat my New Jersey boardwalk skills at skeeball! My husband also took the older boys to a ropes course, but he said after trying the zipline, he decided to wait at the bottom for them. (I think you hit a certain age and an indoor zipline is not the best choice, but I won't tell him that!) Whatever you spent your time doing, I hope you found the joy in being with each other.

There are a few notes this week, so please read the entire message. January is shaping up to be a busy month at MMS!

- Our next round of Aimsweb testing will be next week on January 11 and 12<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure your child charges their Chromebook each night.
- January 12<sup>th</sup> will have no late buses and no after-school activities. There is no school on Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, or Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Our 7<sup>th</sup> graders had an assembly with our School Resource Officer and Administration prior to the break. 6<sup>th</sup> grade had an assembly yesterday and 8<sup>th</sup> grade had their assembly today. Please ask your students about it. The message to students was to find their greatness and remember to help others within the community. Key highlights of the assembly included reviewing expectations and doing the right thing when no one is looking.
- Mark your calendars! Our musical production, Seussical, will be on January 26 and 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. There are also two showings on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm and 6 pm.
- Our choral students have the opportunity to sing at an Islander's game in March! Come support MMS students with a family day out! Tickets can be purchased here: [Middlesex 3.17.23.pdf](#)
- **8th-grade parents** - Over the next two weeks, the DHS School Counselors will be visiting with 8<sup>th</sup> graders to give an overview of the high school, course selection process, elective options, and more. Students will be given a worksheet to assist in mapping out their credits and courses in preparation for elective selection during the first week of February. Details about upcoming transition programming will be sent home regularly. Please reach out to your 8th-grade counselor or Meghan Emanuelson, Director of Guidance, with any questions.

As always, I wish you a restful weekend,

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