



Cleveland Metro Remote School K8

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It's May!

Monthly Parent Ambassador Message

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Hello CMRS K8 Family! This will be my last message for the school year. This year has completely flown by. Give yourselves and your kids a pat on the back. Let's finish this year off strong and have some fun in the process.

Testing will continue this month for our 3rd-8th grade students. There will also be several fun events and activities taking place this month for our students.

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Getting ready for Summer and preparing for the "Summer Slide"

What is the Summer Slide?

Summer Slide is another term for summer learning loss. It has been said by several studies and more importantly several educators that students lose learning gains over the summer. Kids spend all school year learning about so many subjects and gaining so many skills but by the start of the new school year, teachers have to spend more time reviewing last year's lessons before they can get into this year's lessons. How can parents and caregivers help combat this learning loss? Also, how can families balance the fun time this summer with important learning time?

First things first, kids need breaks. Summer break is 100% necessary for our kids. This is a time for kids to socialize, get rest, explore interests and hobbies and discover more about themselves. Our educators also need their break too. The school year is roughly 180 days out of the year. This 2 and half month break is exactly what our school community needs. But we also can't get so relaxed that we ignore the possibility of learning loss. It is no

guarantee that all of our students will experience learning loss. In fact, younger students are more likely to experience learning loss than say our high school learners. That means for our school community at CMRS K8, this is a big threat to our progress. Our kids are already learning in a more nontraditional setting that some may see as a challenge. We do not want to hinder our students' learning experience so here are some things that we can take advantage of to support their learning during the summer.

CMSD is offering The Summer Learning Experience again this Summer. This is the 3rd summer of the SLE. Registration started in April and you can still register for SLE now. SLE is a 5 week opportunity for kindergarten through 8th grade students. Starting June 20th and ending July 21st. Their focus is to finish, enrich and engage. Starting at 8:30-3:30, with a half day option, mornings only or afternoons only. Unfortunately there is no remote option so your kids would participate in-person. There are several locations on both the east and west side with transportation to sites. Here is the link to start the registration process. https://cmsd.iad1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_etE6PWqVt3mpHvw

For families that won't be participating in SLE, one of the most obvious and useful resources in our community is our public library system. Let your kids go to the library this Summer. They can eat lunch and sometimes breakfast and they can read and participate in fun and engaging activities. Children ages 8 and up can also visit a local recreation center. They can participate in several sports and swim lessons and go on field trips this summer. Lunch is also served at our rec centers. Our centers also provide educational programs like Youth Outdoors, fine arts and computer classes at certain locations. Check out CPL's website for more information and the City of Cleveland's website.

<https://cpl.libcal.com/calendar/events/?cid=8758&t=g&d=0000-00-00&cal=8758&inc=0>

<https://www.clevelandohio.gov/CityofCleveland/Home/Government/CityAgencies/ParksRecreationandProperties/DivisionofRecreation/SeasonalActivities>

If you cannot visit the library or a rec center, that doesn't mean that you are completely out of options. We can always prioritize our kids' education at home. In our school community, we do this already. Our students are learning from home so we are already familiar with this kind of work. Since our students already have access to a computer and internet at home, we can utilize the learning apps in Clever this summer. Our children can use one of these applications for 30 minutes a day this summer. Most of these applications have already tracked your child's progress and each one is usually catered to your child's level. Start working on your at home library. Continue to build up your collection of books, for yourself and your kids. Reading is one of the best ways to keep up with learning and it helps the kids build that academic mindset. There are so many different kinds of books that kids can learn from, even books that are more for entertainment. It can help grow their vocabulary and expand their imagination. Let your child choose a book to read everyday.

You can also focus on one skill a day to practice. Maybe your child needs to sharpen their multiplication skills or work on handwriting. Spend a few minutes a day working on those skills. You can buy a journal for your child to write this summer. They can do an entry everyday. They can write about their day, the things they did and how all of it made them feel. You can get them a pocket thesaurus and dictionary so they can independently


explore new words and work on spelling. You can also find workbooks at office supply stores, bookstores or Amazon. I also believe that you can ask your child's teachers or Principal Wyland where to find a good workbook resource.


No matter what option you choose this summer, work diligently to balance fun and relaxation with education. Take the time to prioritize your child's education this summer. It gives you an opportunity to spend time with them that is fun and productive and you will see your child enjoy learning even more.

Important Dates


Testing continues through **May 5th, 2023**


May 13th, 2023 Rock Your World With STEAM- This district event will be taking place at the Great Lakes Science Center and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Museum. This event starts at 9 am and ends at 3:30 pm. There will be over 60 performances from students, 20 displays of artwork and STEM projects, ESports area, the CMSD Culinary Arts program students will have their food truck onsite with treats, a mobile Fab Lab and other fun activities.


May 17th, 2023 Curiosity Cube- The Curiosity Cube is a mobile science classroom that will be visiting John Adams school from 10 am- 2 pm. There will be hands-on science experiments for students and their families to engage in. Make sure to stop by. 

May 24th, 2023 End of the Year School Carnival- Our faculty and staff has organized one final event for our students and families. This is going to be a fun one. There will be activities, inflatables and games, resource tables and food. Don't miss out on one last chance to celebrate with your school community. 

May 29th, 2023 Memorial Day- All Facilities are closed.

June 1st, 2023 Kindergarten Celebration- This celebration will take place at 9 am in the gym at John Adams High School, 2 guests per student. 

June 1st, 2023 8th Grade Graduation- Graduation will start at noon in the gym at John Adams High School, 2 guests per student. 

June 5th, 2023 Last Day of School for Students 

As always, thank you for reading my newsletter. This is the last one until next school year. I appreciate all of our families and caregivers here at CMRS K8 and I look forward to building with you guys next school year.

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