

“Men can starve from lack of self-realization as much as they can from a lack of bread.”
Richard Wright

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With the forecast of a complete rainout, I was thrilled with the lovely weather this weekend. Even with the moments of downpour, I could taste spring in the air. I hope everyone had a chance to enjoy some warmth and sunshine.

Last Wednesday marked the beginning of the 4th term. Parents and guardians, please be aware that students will be bringing their term 3 report cards home when we return from the April break. Please be on the look out for this important information.

It is hard to believe we are hitting the last stretch of school before summer! With nicer weather finally here, it will be important to encourage our students to remain focused for the last nine weeks of school. It is also important for students to speak to their teachers if they have any questions or concerns. The art of self advocacy is a skill for all of us to practice.

As you are updating your calendars, please make note of some important dates:

7th grade Dance	May 2 nd	6:30 – 8:30PM
8 th grade Picture Day	May 6 th	1:00PM
Spring Band Concert	May 13 th	7:30PM
Spring Chorus Concert	May 20 th	7:30PM
8th Grade Graduation Dance	June 13 th	7:00 – 9:30PM

Specific to the 8th grade Graduation Dance, this is a good time to remind everyone what this dance is and what it is not. Parents and guardians of 8th graders, please remember that this dance is not a formal event, nor is it even a “semi-formal.” We ask you not to indulge in fancy clothes, hairdos, and certainly no limos! At the same time, to give this event a special feel, we ask the students to avoid wearing jeans; girls are invited to come nicely dressed (no gowns!), and boys are asked to wear collared shirts. Ties and jackets are not necessary. We also encourage students to come without a date. As always, *this dance is for R.J. Grey students only*, and we appreciate your cooperation.

Have a good week.

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