

Notification from: **Ruth Murdoch Elementary School**

From the Desk of the Principal

To: RMES Parents & Guardians

Date: March 22, 2021

Re: End of 3rd Quarter Updates

Dear Parents & Guardians,

We have made it through the 3rd Quarter with not one incident of illness due to COVID-19! To God be the glory for being our refuge and strength. Special thanks to you for your unwavering cooperation and support throughout the journey during this unusual school year. Spring Break could not come at a better time! Our faculty, staff and students need this time to just relax and reflect on God's amazing love and care for all His children at RMES.

- **Prayers for Asian Community:** As a school that prides itself as a multicultural community, RMES would like to express concern and compassion for our Asian brothers and sisters in light of the recent increase in violence and hatred towards the Asian community in our country. We invite our school family to join in prayer for our Asian brothers and sisters. RMES also joins Andrews University and the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America, along with voices from across America and around the world, in fully, strongly condemning the recent acts of racism, violence and hatred directed toward the Asian American and Pacific Islander community." As an institution, we believe in a God of justice and equality. "He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?" (Micah 6:8). Let us continue to promote diversity and inclusion in our school, campus, and community as we pray for the healing of our nation.
- **Invitation to Join the Conversation:** Please see below invitation to attend in person or join by zoom:
Tonight, March 22: #IAmNotAVirus: End the Virus of Hatred
- **Marketing & Recruitment—**
 - **RMES Visitor's & Move-up Day:** We solicit your assistance to spread the word about our virtual Visitor's Day to family, friends, and neighbors who have elementary age children. Invite them to join the grade of their interest and hear some of the awesome plans that teachers are already making to ensure 2021-2022 is a safe, successful and exciting school year for students. Please have the guests contact the office at (269) 471-3220 or email Ms. Cyndi at cabaltec@andrews.edu, to indicate their interest to attend or if they have questions. We will also provide the Zoom information for them to join. Thank you for your partnership to share about our school.
- **Jr. High Community Outreach Project:** A big THANK YOU to students, parents, and community friends for the generous donations of non-perishable goods to support the Jr. High community collaboration with Neighbor to Neighbor during this pandemic season. Know that several times during the 2-3 weeks of collection, you have filled their collection wheelbarrow with food supplies ready for distribution. They will be taking goods to Neighbor to Neighbor, our Adventist Community Service Center after we return from spring break. May the Lord pour a special blessing on all those who contributed to this project and upon those who will receive the gifts!

[Important Dates and Upcoming Events for the 4th Quarter \(March-June\):](#)

- Seminary/RMES Worship -- April 2, 2021
- RMES Zoom Visitor's Day -- April 6, 2021
- NO School April 19
- Teacher Appreciation -- May 3-7
- Registration Day -- May 17
- STEAMS Showcase -- May 17
- The Tent -- May 7-15
- Spring Concert -- May 18
- No School--Memorial Day -- May 31
- Graduation Sabbath (1st Service PMC) -- May 29
- Awards Day -- June 1
- Field Day -- June 2
- Graduation Ceremony (PMC) -- June 3
- Last Day of School June 3

"In all that concerns the well-being of the child, it should be the effort of parents and teachers to co-operate." Education, p. 284

Have a wonderful Spring Break!

In His service,

Dr. Savory

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