**What’s Happening**

**Extra RMES T-shirts & Hoodies**
There are a limited number of extra RMES T-shirts and Hoodies. If you are interested, please bring exact cash or be prepared to write a check to “PMC”. They will be available for purchase on Thursday and Friday. (No holds) Several adult size t-shirts are also available.

- Short sleeve t-shirts $10
- Long sleeve t-shirts $15
- Hoodies $25

**School Spirit Day:**
Friday, September 27 is School Colors (blue and white) Day. Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to come to school wearing blue and white.

**AU Alumni Parade this Friday**
The parade will start from AA parking lot. We will assemble at 4:15 p.m. (wearing our RMES shirts or school colors).

**PARADE ROUTE**
The parade leaves AA parking lot at 4:50, enters campus on E Campus Circle Drive, passes the judge’s stand in front of the HPAC, passes PMC, and ends in PMC parking lot.

**RMES Grow Group**
RMES Grow Group to pray for our school begins this Thursday, September 26, 2019. Meeting place: Conference Room from 8:15-8:30 a.m.

**Lifetouch/Yearbook pictures will be taken on October 24.**
Home and School is looking for Booth Coordinators for the upcoming Multi-cultural Food Fair in November. Please see today’s handout.

**Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) Virus**
As Berrien County is still on high alert regarding the EEE outbreak, please know that RMES is following the recommendations of the Michigan Dept. of Health & Human Services. Please be assured that we are exercising caution regarding all outdoor activities. See page 2

**Adjusted Field Trip Plans Due To EEE**
To reduce risk factors, the K-2 teachers have adjusted their Field Trip plans scheduled for October 1st from Sarett Nature Center to The Chocolate Factory on Tuesday, October 1st. We encourage you to take the necessary precautionary actions so that your child does not miss this exciting, enjoyable, hands-on learning experience.

**RMES Performance Drama Ministry**
All are invited to the “school Play”, by the Performing Arts Ministry Drama Class, titled “Someone Has to Pay!” October 4th at 6:00 p.m. in the RMES Cafetorium. Come see the Junior High students put on their first self-composed play. Tickets are free!

**We are now participating in the Our Family Direct Your Labels Program**
Please start collecting “Our Family” UPC bar code labels from items purchased at Apple Valley, Hardings, Martins and other participating stores. Each UPC bar code label is worth 5 cents and can be turned in to the RMES office.

**Iowa Assessments Testing**
Grades 3 - 8
September 19 - 27*

*Testing dates and times vary per classroom.
Please check with teachers for actual test days and times.
The following guidelines were provided in the *Berrien County Health Department* release:

- *When outdoors, apply insect repellents that contain the active ingredient DEET, or other U.S. EPA registered products, to exposed skin or clothing, and always follow the manufacturer's directions for use.*
- *Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants when outdoors. Apply insect repellent to clothing to help prevent bites.*
- *Maintain window and door screening to help keep mosquitoes outside.*
- *Empty water from mosquito breeding sites around the home, such as buckets, unused kiddie pools, old tires or similar sites where mosquitoes may lay eggs.*

Additional resources about EEE are available at the following links:

- [Berrien County Health Department - EEE](https://www.berrienhealth.org/)
- [Michigan.gov Emerging Diseases - EEE](https://www.michigan.gov/emergingdiseases)