

# The Michael J. Petrides School Middle School Newsletter Grade 8 June 2018



"Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass under trees on a summer's day, listening to the murmur of the water, or watching the clouds float across the sky, is by no means a waste of time." John Lubbock

Dear Parents,

Your partnership with our school is paramount to the work we do each day. We sincerely thank you for your consistent collaboration in making the 2017-2018 school year a success!

Before we anticipate the lazy, restful days of summer, I have some important information about the end of the school year.

Your children are continuing to work on meaningful academic tasks throughout the month of June. I would like to remind you of the importance of attendance and punctuality to school. All students should continue to come to school each day prepared to learn. Students must promptly transition from class to class and continue their pursuit of academic excellence through the remainder of the school year.

**Students MUST continue to wear their SCHOOL UNIFORMS to school each day.** Our school uniform consists of a light blue shirt and navy bottoms. Students are also permitted to wear shirts with the school name or logo on them and black athletic pants.

We have prepared the rigorous testing schedule for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students during the month of June. Please see the attached schedule with specific directions for a smooth and easy test administration. It is important that you note the change in start and end time of the school day on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> and June 13<sup>th</sup>.

For those of you who would like to get an early start, I have attached a supply list and summer reading assignment for the 2018-2019 school year.

All textbooks, library books and novels that have been issued to your child during the school year MUST BE RETURNED prior to June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018. Your child will not receive a report card if they have an outstanding account.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 718.815.0186 extension 22171 or <u>BSouffrin@schools.nyc.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

BettyAnn Souffrin Assistant Principal



## What topics will the students learn this month?

ELA - We will be finishing our argumentative writing unit with the topic - "Making Friends on the Internet."

Math – The students will continue reviewing for the Algebra I Regents exam on June 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:15pm.

Science – This month the students will be reviewing for their Living Environment Regents exam on June 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:15pm

Social Studies – This month the students will learn about the modern United States. They will study Presidents John F. Kennedy to Donald Trump's domestic and foreign policy.



### **Test/Projects Dates**

June 8th – ELA Writing piece due

Students will be taking Algebra I Regents practice exams in class throughout the month.

The US History Regents exam will count as the class final (If all questions on the Regents are answered, the student will receive a grade of 100% as a final test grade in the class)



### **Required Reading**

Regents review packets, textbook, notes

#### **REMINDERS!**

Liwo #2 pencils <u>and</u> a blue or black ink pen on Regents day. Bring in Graphing Calculator for the Algebra I Regents.

The NYS Regents exam in Living Environment will be on June 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:15pm

The NYS Regents exam in Algebra I will be on June 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:15pm

The NYS Regents exam in US History & Government will be on June 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:15am

Foreign Language Regents exam will be administered on June 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:15am



#### **School Closing**

June 7<sup>th</sup> – Chancellor's Conference Day June 11<sup>th</sup> – Clerical Day June 15<sup>th</sup> – Eid al-Fitr





Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6 Test Prep Academy 2:20-4:30pm Dinner Dance The Vanderbilt 7:00-10:00pm	7 No School	8 ELA Writing piece due	9
10	11 No School	12 Algebra I Regents exam 1:15pm	13 US History Regents exam 9:15am Living Env. Regents exam 1:15pm	14 Final Assembly Rehearsal (Attendance is Mandatory) 8:30am	15 No School	16
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24		26 Early Dismissal 11:20am Last Day of School	27	28	29	30