Greetings CMS Families: Welcome to the update for Week 12.

- Thanks to everyone who came out to volunteer and shop at our Fall Book Fair! Because of your support we were able to purchase nearly $800 worth of new materials for our library and classrooms.

- RCPS is asking for the public’s input on proposed calendar options for the 2019-2020 School Year and 2020-2021 School Year. The survey will be posted until October 26, 2018 at rockdaleschools.org/calendarsurvey or https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z7V6SJD
  All options have 180 student instructional days and 190 days for teachers. If school is canceled due to inclement weather, make-up days may be used during intercessions.

### Academic Update:

- **CMS Encore Afterschool Tutorial Program** (4:15p-5:30p / Mon-Thu / now until Dec 13th).
  - 6th & 7th grade (ELA and Math)
  - 8th grade (ELA, Math, Social Studies & Science)
  - Please contact Sonja Vernon with questions or concerns at svernon@rockdale.k12.ga.us.
  - **Transportation has ONLY been routed for those students who turned in their forms by October 11th**. Those students who submitted their applications by October 11th will have transportation home beginning this Monday. Parents of students who submitted applications after October 11th will be notified when the routing has been completed. Please keep in mind buses may arrive later than expected during the first week as bus drivers are learning new routes. Please feel free to contact Ms. Sonja Vernon at 770-483-3371 with questions or concerns.

- **8th grade College Tour Deadline**: Permission slips and fieldtrip fees are due by October 26th.

- Please continue to encourage your student to read every night and complete all assignments given by their teachers. Helping your student establish a regular studying routine/schedule will help them understand how much of a priority their academic career is and ensure their overall success.

### School Events:

- We're looking forward to seeing all parents who signed up for **Parent Shadow Day - Monday, Oct 22 / 8:30am - 3:30pm**, an event which allows parents the opportunity to observe their child's class, attend parent workshops, complete surveys, and get an overall view of CMS.

- **ZERO Referral Bash** for all students who did not incur a behavior referral during the 1st nine weeks of school - Oct 26

- "**Scoliosis Screening**" on **Nov 7th** that is for 6th and 8th grade students only. Information was sent home in Friday's Folder. All students will be screened unless parents return the form requesting their student to be excluded.
Congratulations to our Oratorical Competition grade level winners-Romayne Martin (6th grade), Michael Tucker, Jr. (7th grade), and Sophia Shaw (8th grade). Our winners will be competing in the district wide competition Saturday, November 10, 2018 at 9:00a in the CMS auditorium. Please come out to support our students and cheer them on as we shoot for first place across all grade levels.

Our PBIS Team is opening our Bulldog Store this month! If you or an organization would like to sponsor our Bulldog Store with items please let us know. Thanks for your continued support toward PBIS at CMS. For questions contact Mrs. Rivers-Byrd (trivers1@rockdale.k12.ga.us)

Important Dates to remember:

- **Week of Oct 22 – Red Ribbon Week**
  - **Mon:** Pledge Day – Wear Red  **Tue:** Sock Day [Wear crazy socks or sneakers.]
  - **Wed:** Twin Day (Dress like Your Friend)  **Thu:** Black Out Drugs (Wear Black)  **Fri:** Spirit Day (Wear school colors)  **Compliance with dresscode is still expected.**
- **Oct 25th (4:30p-5:30p)** – School Council Meeting (Public is invited)
- **Oct 25th (5p-7p)** – Open House - CMS Aerospace & Robotics Program
- **Oct 31st (6p-8p)** – Skate Night at Romp & Roll (3174 Salem Road /Conyers, Georgia 30013)(Costumes are encouraged / Prizes will be awarded.
- **Nov 5th – 8th Grade College Tour**
- **Nov 6th** – Independent Learning Day: All students will be responsible for completing a SCIENCE assignment during this time (Available in “ItsLearning” platform).  **Early check-outs by 1:00p / Early Dismissal starts at 1:35p**

As always, please be mindful of our Administrative Team structure as we stand ready to assist you with any question or concern:

- **Ms. Kimberly Dyer** kdyer@rockdale.k12.ga.us - 6th Grade, 7th Grade (A-L), Math & Science
- **Ms. Fannetta Gooden** fgooden@rockdale.k12.ga.us - 8th Grade, 7th Grade (M-Z), ELA & Social Studies
- **Dr. De’borah D. Reese** dreese@rockdale.k12.ga.us- Special Education & Connections

We’re looking forward to a great week ahead at our: WORLDCLASS school with a WORLDCLASS staff facilitating WORLDCLASS instruction for our WORLDCLASS students to empower our surrounding WORLDCLASS community. Enjoy the rest of your weekend!

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