

Wednesday, May 13, 2020

Dear Fifth Grade Families,

We hope this letter finds you well and safe. As you may already know the State of New Jersey has closed all schools for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. As a direct result of this action, the three elementary schools will be modifying our typical end of the year celebrations and activities for our fifth grade classes.

Currently, the end of year activities and celebrations are:

- ❖ 5th Grade Recognition Zoom Ceremonies (Dates TBD)
- ❖ Fifth Grade Videos
- ♦ Highlights of Fifth Graders During Morning Announcements
- ❖ PTO sponsored Class Lawn Sign with SignUp Genius time frames for family photos

In addition to the end of year fifth grade celebrations, we are excited to share information about the fifth grade **More Than Madison** project. The **More Than Madison** project is a special project-based learning experience designed for our Madison School District fifth graders. Every fifth grader will learn about a "Real World" issue and present on this issue. Students will research various global Sustainable Development Goals as curated by the United Nations. The teachers are facilitating this process and they have outlined a week by week schedule that will enable all of our learners an opportunity to present their research.

Finally, the middle school (MJS) has been sending communication to all 5th grade families about course selection, orientation, and plans for the 2020-2021 school year. Please make sure you attend the MJS orientation on May 27, 2020 at 7:00 pm for details and important information. At this time, Dr. Caruso (MJS Principal) has sent a series of <u>videos</u> and communications to all 5th grade families. If you have any questions you can contact the MJS counselors Mrs. Siso (sisok@madisonnjps.org) or Mrs. Marotta (marottal@madisonnjps.org).

Kind regards,

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