

Dedham Middle School

OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL

Dear DMS Families,

Happy first day of Trimester 3! I hope your child enjoyed their first day in their new unified arts elective.

Here's what's going on this week:

- **Term 2 Grades:** Final grades and comments for the second trimester will be available this Friday on PowerSchool.
- **Start Time:** As a reminder, students must now be in homeroom by 8:10 am to be considered on time for the day. We are seeing a significant amount of tardy students recently.
- **Drop Off:** As a reminder, there is still only one lane allowed behind the building as you approach the drop off circle. In addition, the front driveway is for bus use only, not for student drop off.
- **PTO Meeting:** Please join our next virtual PTO meeting tomorrow night at 7:00 pm. Wellness Director Mark Carney, Assistant Principal Shelly Pagnotta, and I will present information on our approach to any claims of bullying at DMS. Click [here](#) to attend the Zoom meeting. Please do not share this link as the meeting is intended for current DMS families. Also, please be sure your name as it appears on Zoom accurately identifies you.
- **Term 3 Expectation Reminders:** This morning in homeroom, all students watched a video created by Ms. Pagnotta and me with expectation reminders as we begin our third term. These included items such as cell phones being in lockers, air pods away unless allowed by a teacher, lunch logistics, and of course a reminder of our 3 R's: Respect, Responsibility, Resilience.
- **ELPAC:** Click [here](#) for more information about the next English Learners Parent Advisory Council meeting.
- **TREK:** If you have a 5th grader, I highly recommend our summer TREK program. Click [here](#) to learn more!
- **DYC:** Please see the attached flyers with information about summer programs offered by our friends at the Dedham Youth Commission.

Today was a big day at DMS. It's been 2 years since we have had full tables in our cafeteria! I'm incredibly proud of how well our students adjusted to everyone eating together. Their behavior was fantastic and the cafeteria was spotless when they left!

With gratitude,
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