

JUNE 2017

Greetings to everyone in the MBS community! As cliché as it sounds, it's hard to believe that the end of another school year is rapidly approaching. No matter how many years I spend in the education profession, it never ceases to amaze me just how fast time goes by once we return from spring break! Before we reach the finish line and head off into the summer, I believe it's important to reflect on the year gone by and express appreciation to all those people who helped make this a successful school year. That starts with the entire MBS staff. The teachers deserve so much credit for their efforts to design and deliver thoughtful and motivating lessons on a daily basis while also helping their students develop social skills needed for the future. Our instructional aides also do an amazing job of working with many of our teachers and providing support to a wide variety of students across all grade levels. I would be remiss if I didn't take a moment to thank the invaluable support staff that is with me all year round. From my administrative partner, Mr. DeSantis, who made a successful transition into his position this year in every way, to the administrative assistants who keep us all organized and on track, to the custodians who work tirelessly behind the scenes to keep our school clean and safe. We are very fortunate to have a staff comprised of such caring and dedicated individuals. Finally, I would like to thank all of our families in the MBS community for your willingness to share your children with us and for the support you demonstrate throughout the year. There is no doubt that the students in our school benefit from the collaborative efforts made by the staff and families as we work together to help every child meet with success every day.

When this time of the school year arrives, it seems like there are special events happening on a weekly and sometimes on a daily basis, and this year is no different. The month of June opens with our annual Field Day event on Friday, June 2, (rain date of June 14) and then our attention will quickly shift to the 8th grade trip to Boston on June 7, 8, and 9. The following week, the 8th graders will attend their dinner dance during the evening of June 13. That same week, the PTO will hold their second annual Spring Fest event on Friday, June 16, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. On that same day, we will have the make-up Dolphin Run and kids races that were postponed by the weather back in mid May. Lastly, the annual 8th grade graduation will take place most appropriately on June 21, which is the official first day of summer. On behalf of everyone in the MBS community, I would like to congratulate our 8th grade students and wish them continued success as they begin the next phase of their educational journey in high school. As with every other 8th grade class, the graduating students will always be welcomed back to visit their elementary home here at MBS.

I hope that everyone has a wonderful summer!

Sincerely,

Michael E. Ettore

Principal/Superintendent