

With the end of the school year less than two weeks away, we can definitely set our sights on summer now! We look forward to those fun filled days of summer and time spent with family and friends.

May began with PARCC testing and finished with ASK8 Science Testing. All students worked very diligently on these state assessments and gave their best effort. Our PTO sponsored a very successful Color Run as well as an equally successful Rita's Night. Not even the weather kept students away from their favorite celebrity scoopers! Thank you to all staff who volunteered their time for this event. We will truly miss the leadership of Mrs. Gaft and Mrs. Gray on our PHMS PTO as their children move on to the high school! Thank you to Mrs. Burr and her amazing students as well as some band students from the elementary schools and high school who made our Spring Concert a rousing success! Great choice of songs to perform! Our grade level trips gave the students a chance to learn outside of the classroom from the 6<sup>th</sup> grade's visit to Rowan's Planetarium to 7<sup>th</sup> grade's visit to the NJ State Museum to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade's visit to Philadelphia and the Constitution Center. A huge thank you to our Pine Hill Police Department who organized and conducted our two day Fitness Challenge among students chosen by their Physical Education teachers. Our students worked hard and did well in events such as push-ups, pull-ups, long-jump and running. Well done!

June brought us our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance which was held in the gym with the theme Masquerade. A huge shout-out to Mrs. Fricke who designed, organized, and oversaw this entire event; it was a monumental undertaking! Kudos and a thousand thank-you's to all of the staff who helped in the preparation, set-up, and clean-up of this fantastic event! Eighth Grade Awards Night was held on June 5<sup>th</sup> to honor some of our 8<sup>th</sup> graders who earned staff awards. Orientations and PTO Meet and Greet are underway so that we can get our 5<sup>th</sup> graders prepared for the middle school. Field Days will be on June 9<sup>th</sup> for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades and on June 12<sup>th</sup> for our 6<sup>th</sup> graders. June 12-16 will be half days with noon dismissal for final exams. Our culminating event will be our Promotion ceremony on June 15<sup>th</sup> at 6PM in our gym.