

Good evening, Loiederman Families!

This is Megan McLaughlin, proud principal of LMS, calling with some important information. Tomorrow, Monday, October 3 is an EVEN Day. Remember, Wednesday, October 5 is a no school day for staff and students.

- **Caregiver/Parent visitation opportunity:** Caregivers and parents are invited to visit their student's morning classes on Monday, October 10th. In the coming days, we will send more details about this opportunity along with a sign-up form to let us know if you plan to visit.
- **Attention all 8th grade parents:** The 8th grade counselor will be visiting history classes this week to present the DCC High School Choice Lesson about the available High School opportunities for our current 8th grade students. Choice Forms will be released by the county through Student/ParentVue beginning Oct 7. Please take a moment to speak to your student about the opportunities available to them. Additional support will be provided by the 8th grade counselor – [Mr. Risse](#) as needed.
- **Attention 6th grade parents:** Our 6th grade team has created an after school team building activity for your students. We will sponsor a “Kickball and Ice Cream Social” On October 12th from 3:00 PM – 4:20 PM. Permission slips will be given to students tomorrow and must be returned by October 6th. You may access the permission slip [HERE](#).
- **Picture Day is Coming!:** On October 12 and 13 students will be taking pictures during their PE Classes. If they have PE on an EVEN Day they will take pictures on October 12 and if they have PE on an ODD Day they will take pictures on October 13. Please look out for an order form this week that will be sent home with your child.
- **Good Grief Club:** LMS will be offering a Good Grief Club for students who have experienced the death of a parent, sibling, family member or friend. The Good Grief Club will be co-led by a trained volunteer from CaringMatters, Inc. and a School Counselor. The group will meet once a week during the school day for seven weeks. Through the use of arts and crafts, reading and discussion, we will help students understand what grief is and how to cope in healthy ways with their feelings. All the activities and discussions will be age-appropriate. CaringMatters, Inc. provides this service, free of charge, in partnership with Montgomery County Public Schools. If you are interested in this support for your student, please connect with their School Counselor. Information provided below:
  - 6-8 grades, students in EML level 1/2: [reem j bechara@mcpsmd.org](mailto:reem_j_bechara@mcpsmd.org)
  - 6th grade, last names A-G: [jessica n bayuk@mcpsmd.org](mailto:jessica_n_bayuk@mcpsmd.org)
  - 6th grade, last names H-Z: [chester l hardy@mcpsmd.org](mailto:chester_l_hardy@mcpsmd.org)
  - 7th grade: [sloane c guber@mcpsmd.org](mailto:sloane_c_guber@mcpsmd.org)
  - 8th grade: [james risse@mcpsmd.org](mailto:james_risse@mcpsmd.org)
- **Calendar of Upcoming Dates/Events:**
  - Oct. 5 - Non-Instructional Day (No school for students)

- Oct. 12 and Oct. 13- Picture Day (during students PE Class)
- Oct. 24 - Professional Day for Teachers- No School for students

Be sure to check out our [September Newsletter](#) to stay updated with all LMS Lion News. Make sure to also check out the [LMS PTSA Page on Facebook](#). Stay well, stay safe, and thank you for staying connected to Loiederman. Have a good evening!