



**A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Sunquam staff, students and parents for helping to make the 2018-2019 school year a success. As always, the level of commitment and pride that is displayed by all at Sunquam is second to none. The end of the academic year is a time of reflection on the highs and lows of the past ten months, and a time of anticipation as we look forward to a new school year, bringing fresh challenges and some exciting opportunities. On behalf of the Sunquam staff I would like to wish all of our Sunquam families a happy, healthy and memorable summer vacation. We will miss you!!!

*Warm wishes to the members of our faculty and staff who are moving on next year. We wish you all the best on your future endeavors.*

**Special thanks to Jen Grossi and Jamie Zipper**, our PTA Co-Presidents, for all they have done for the students, staff and families of Sunquam. Also, thank you to our wonderful Executive Committee for the countless hours they have given to support our school. It has been a pleasure working with such a fantastic group of women!

Plan ahead! Mark your calendars now. The first day of school for the 2019-2020 school year is WEDNESDAY, September 4, 2019. Class assignments will be mailed to your home in late August.

~Ms. Littell☺

**Special Areas Update - Library**

This year’s theme for the Half Hollow Hills Community Library Summer Reading Club is “A Universe of Stories”. Registration begins at the kick off carnival on June 25th at Melville Library from 4-7! I encourage students to visit the Public Library and partake in the fun programs and activities they have planned for this summer vacation. Participation in the Summer Reading Club helps maintain and strengthen reading skills as well as giving students opportunities to work collaboratively within their community. The program helps to keep students motivated to read and to develop positive attitudes towards reading and the library. I wish all of the Sunquam Stars a fun and relaxing summer! Happy Reading!



**SCHOOL WEEKLY EVENTS & FIELD TRIPS**



<p><b>June 3</b> – NYS Science Test -PTA Meeting/volunteer appreciation Celebration - 9:30 a.m.- Cafeteria</p>	<p><b>June 11-12</b> – Field Day (Rain Dates) <b>June 12</b> – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade End of Year Celebration – 1:30-2:30 p.m. <b>June 13</b> - 1<sup>st</sup> Grade end of Year Celebration – 1:05-2:30 p.m. - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade “You Are Special” – 10:00 -11:00 a.m.</p>	<p><b>June 19</b> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade End of Year Celebration – 10:45–11:30 a.m.- class parents only <b>June 21</b> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Circus @ West Hollow – 7:00 p.m.</p>
<p><b>June 4</b> – Eid Al Fitr – School Closed <b>June 6</b> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Picnic @ Kessler Park - 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Portfolio Day – 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – café then classroom – all parents</p>	<p><b>June 14</b> – Flag Day Celebration - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade End of Year Celebration – 1:15-2:15 – 10 parents</p>	<p><b>June 24</b> – Kindergarten Picnic – 9:30 a.m. - class parents only <b>June 24 – 26</b> – Half Day of School <b>June 26</b> – Last Day of School – Dismissal at 11:30 a.m. - Spirit Wear Day - Elementary Third Marking Period Ends/Report Cards Available Online @ 4:00 p.m.</p>
<p><b>June 7</b> – Kindergarten Author’s Day – 9:30 a.m. -café then classroom - all parents - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Fun Night – 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. – students to wear 5<sup>th</sup> Grade T-Shirt to enter <b>June 10</b> – Field Day – Gr. K-2 a.m./Gr. 3-5 p.m.-Students only</p>	<p><b>June 17</b> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Bagel Breakfast <b>June 17-21</b> – Circus Week <b>June 18</b> – Pre-K Graduation – 10:00 a.m. &amp; 11:30 a.m. – all parents - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Moving Up @ WHMS – 6:00 p.m.</p>	

**PTA MONTHLY NEWS**

Thank you to everyone who supported the PTA throughout this 2018-19 school year. The PTA continues planning for the upcoming 2019 2020 school year. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer please contact Jaime Zipper @ [jaim zipper@gmail.com](mailto:jaim zipper@gmail.com) or Wendy Sherman @ [wendyelanasher man@gmail.com](mailto:wendyelanasher man@gmail.com), our presidents. Please remember to continue collecting box tops throughout the summer. You can also download the Box Tops app. If you have any questions you can contact Nicole Scheiner @ [np29@aol.com](mailto:np29@aol.com). Please join our Facebook group Sunquam PTA and check our website [www.SunquamPTA.org](http://www.SunquamPTA.org) For all the latest info. Have a great summer and we will see everyone in September.

**THOUGHTS FOR PARENTS**

Physical activity has been shown to have positive effects on academic achievement, including increased concentration and improved mathematics, reading, and writing performance. This summer, find ways to ensure that your child stays active!

**WEBSITE OF THE WEEK**

<https://www.oxfordlearning.com/summer-learning-loss-statistics/>

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

*“What do I want to take home from my summer vacation? Time! The wonderful luxury of being at rest. The days when you shut down the mental machinery that keeps life on track and let life simply wander. The days when you stop planning, analyzing, thinking and just are.*

*Summer is my period of grace.”*

~Ellen Goodman