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Dear Juniors Students and Families,

We hope that you are all having a wonderful summer. The Juniors team has exciting activities planned for the 2023-24 school year! This year we will explore the stories and voices found throughout American history, read captivating books, work through lots of interesting math problems, learn about clouds, volcanoes, kitchen chemistry, and the human body, and make creative art and music together! It is our goal for Juniors students to be actively engaged in meaningful learning experiences that foster both critical thinking and lifelong skills. Students and teachers will be working collaboratively toward creating a sense of community in the Juniors class and beyond, as well as a classroom culture that is thoughtful and fun. Teachers will also be finding ways to celebrate and inspire individual students all year long.

We are eagerly anticipating hearing about all of the books our Juniors have read this summer! On the first day of school, we hope that everyone will share their favorite book from the last couple of months. If you haven't been reading regularly, please work toward reading a book of interest for 30 minutes every day before school starts. JMRL has an excellent summer reading program to provide motivation and librarians can make age-appropriate suggestions.

Attached is a list of supplies that you will need this year. Please bring them on the first day of school, which is Thursday, August 31st.

More specific information about our daily routine will be sent to you as we get closer to opening day. If you have any questions, at any time, please do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to partnering with your family this year!

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