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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 2024-25 school year! We will explore stories, voices, animals, and geography across the seven continents. We will also read captivating books, write for a variety of purposes, work through lots of engaging math problems, learn about biomes and the adaptations necessary to thrive in them, play games, and make creative art and music together. It is our goal for students to be actively engaged in meaningful learning experiences that foster critical thinking and build 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 class culture that is thoughtful and fun-loving. Teachers will find ways to celebrate and inspire individual students all year long.

We enthusiastically welcome Allie Leffler to our teaching team this year. She will be joining the Juniors class during the morning hours each day.

Your teachers eagerly anticipate hearing about all of the books you have read this summer! On the first day of school, we are hoping that every Junior will share their favorite book from the last couple of months. If you haven't been reading regularly, please work toward reading at least one book of interest for 30 minutes every day before school starts. JMRL has an excellent summer reading program to provide motivation and age-appropriate suggestions.

We will go into detail about the day-to-day life of a Juniors student and this year's curriculum at our Back-to-School sessions on Tuesday, August 27th. If you have questions or information to share before then, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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 29th. We look forward to partnering with your family this year.

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