

Good evening, Charles H. Parker Students and Families! This is Ms. Range, proud principal of Charles H. Parker Academic Center. I hope everyone enjoyed this beautiful weather and spent some time outside. A very big congratulations to all of our Odyssey of the Mind teams that competed at the State Tournament this weekend. All of our teams did amazing!! A special shoutout to our team coached by Mr. Krishnan and Ms. Aleman. They overcame a great obstacle and were awarded the Omer Award for demonstrating outstanding sportsmanship, exemplary behavior, and exceptional talent. Congratulations to all of our teams! We are so very proud of you! As always, this message will be posted on our website and our Facebook account. Please remember that the school is here to support you. If you have any needs or need any support, please let us know. The office is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM until 5:30 PM.

It is a quiet week at the Hive. On Thursday, we have a tour for incoming families and also on Thursday, we will have our electives for 3 – 5 graders. Friday is the last day of 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. Please keep reminding your students that we are in crunch time. As we come to these last few weeks of the school year, their focus and hard work are imperative so that we can finish the year strong and successful!

Some important Save the Date Reminders! March 31 is a teacher workday and there is no school for students on this day. April 1, we will have the Second Harvest Food Bank Mobile Pantry on campus from 5 to 6 PM. Please drive through to receive free food, including fruits, vegetables, and other important food staples. April 2 is an early release day and Parker will dismiss students at 1:15. We will be releasing students at 1:15 to provide teachers with additional professional development opportunities. CMS will provide lunch, and buses will complete the end-of-day routes. We ask that you be in the car rider line no later than 1:30 PM. We also ask that you notify day-care providers or other appropriate parties of the early dismissal.

Our 5<sup>th</sup> grade Camp Thunderbird trip is just a few weeks away. We are in need of items to support our students. If you have any items like sleeping bags, towels, flashlights, suitcases/duffel bags that you are giving away, please bring them to the office.

As you're planning for the next school year, just a reminder that students entering Kindergarten, as well as those students in grades 7 and 12, have specific immunization requirements that must be met to attend school per N.C. law. All students attending school must be up-to-date with their immunizations and must have proof of required immunizations in order to attend school. New students must submit immunization records and health assessments within the first 30 days of joining our school. Spring and Summer are a great time to make an appointment with your healthcare provider to complete the required immunizations. You can find more resources at the Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools website <https://www.cmsk12.org/Page/714>

Please reach out if you have any questions or have any needs. Thank you for all of your support, understanding and dedication to Charles H. Parker! Have a wonderful evening!