Hello Hornet Families,

As an update to our families' completion of the Student Information Form, we moved from 13% to 16% this week. Thank you to everyone who has already taken care of this responsibility. Unfortunately, no homeroom won the donut or treat bag competition but there is still time to complete the survey. The link can be found in the body of this email and on the CMS website. If you are concerned about the question about pronouns, that question is optional. https://wearecms.iad1.gualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3KmNPmLec9w0c98

Our first IXL Leaderboard begins tomorrow morning, October 23 @ 8:00am and goes through November 5 @ 8:00pm. IXL allows students to practice skills in reading and math, according to their personal MAP scores. Students with the greatest number of skills mastered on our Leaderboard will be rewarded! Encourage your child to login to IXL at home to increase their skills, too!

Families, please save the date for ARMS Family Night on November 14! There will be food, a guest speaker, student performances, and learning! Save the date and expect more information to come.

Have you checked your child's grades. First quarter ends on November 3, in just three weeks! Our goal is for every child is to earn grades of C or better. Missing assignments is one of the biggest barriers with achieving the goal. There is time to improve grades. Get into PowerSchool with your child and help them to navigate what their steps to earning a C or higher should be for the next few weeks. We will have WIN Wednesday this week to help increase performance in every course.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Many of us know someone who has impacted by the effects of breast cancer on their loved ones and families. On Thursday, we are encouraging everyone to wear pink to stand in solidarity for Breast Cancer Awareness and early detection.

As you know, Albemarle Road is on the bond this year and we are hoping to get a new school. Please be sure to make a plan to vote on November 7. Encourage your families and friends who are of voting age to get out to vote, too. Early voting begins October 19.

The Fall Festival is back, Hornets! Come out this Friday from 6:00 - 8:00! Students must be accompanied by their adults. We will have games, fun, and a haunted media center! The cost is just \$5. Check out our social media pages for more information.

Have you downloaded the ParentSquare app yet? Important updates from teachers and the school are coming regularly. Directions are posted on our Facebook and Instagram pages. Download the app today and remember to follow us on Instagram (@arms.ib.academy) and Facebook (Albemarle Road Middle Academy) for the latest updates!

Have a great Sunday!