Grizzly Gram



A Message from the Principal

July 30, 2021

Dear Families,

Happy Friday to you!

Summertime is usually a very quite time around Redmond Middle School but not this summer! Construction for our new north parking lot entrance began in late June and is scheduled to conclude right before school starts on September 1 (I included a few pictures below to show you work on the new entrance and the new roadway leading to the lot). Our Culinary program is getting a boost this summer, receiving new equipment and appliances for the first time since this building opened over 20 years ago! And our amazing custodial staff is halfway through a deep cleaning of each classroom and all common spaces!

In addition to all of the work listed above, our students, teachers, and administrators have been busy as well. Our ASB officers met yesterday, after completing several leadership workshops this summer, to discuss how to welcome all students back to RMS this fall. Our teachers are busy developing curriculum for our new 6th grade Grizzly Prep class and Grizzly Experience elective. Your administrators (Ms. Montes, Mr. Prince, myself and our new administrative intern for the 2021-22 school year Mr. Furtado!) have worked with committees to develop programming for the fall. We cannot wait to welcome families and students back to the building! To that end, please "save the date" appropriate for your student's grade level to attend our welcome back festivities. We plan to have opportunities to ask questions of myself, our administrative team, teachers and a student panel. Your student will have the opportunity to receive their fall class schedule and their locker assignment. You will have the opportunity to help your student practice opening their locker and walking from class to class (in order!) so the first day of school is a bit less daunting. Currently each event will be held from 6-8pm at RMS (we will provide any COVID-related updates as we approach these dates):

6th grade: Thursday, August 26

7th grade: Friday, August 27

8th grade: Monday, August 30

If you are a family that has more than one students here at RMS (in different grade levels) please send me an email with the date that you would like to attend so that we can be sure your students' schedules will be available on that date. Remember, school begins on Wednesday, September 1 (and will be a full day on that Wednesday).

We will have more specific information on our welcome back schedule and school dates in our next Grizzly Gram (we are back to our "every other week" publishing schedule- our next *Gram* will be published on August 13th!).

If your student is interested in signing up to participate in our after-school sports program please scroll down to Mr. Mahendran's article on how to sign up!

As always, it is a great day to be part of the sleuth!

Be well,

Dana Greenberg, Principal

Redmond Middle School





The Tiles in the Tree Rings of Redmond Middle School

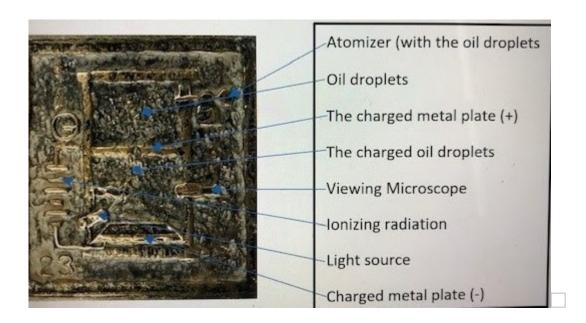
Our journey through the Rings of RMS continues...



Tile Number 23 commemorates Robert Andrews Millikan wins Nobel Prize in Physics for his study of the elementary electronic charge and the photoelectric effect.

Millikan began his study of the electric charge in 1909 and conducted a variety of experiments to measure the electric charge carried by a single electron. According to the online Encyclopedia Britannica he switched his

experiment process from using water to using oil (which did not evaporate as quickly) and conducted his famous oil-drop experiment. Through this experiment Millikan was able to show that the force on any electric charge in an electric field is equal to the product of the charge and the electric field. He was able to measure both the amount of electric force and the magnitude of electric field on the tiny charge of an isolated oil droplet and, from the data, determine the magnitude of the charge itself. The student artist who created this tile must have studied this experiment in detail because they were able to capture all the elements:



Remember, students designed these tiles. If anyone in our Redmond community knows the artist of a specific tile please let us know so we can credit them in a future issue of *The Gram*.

The tree rings contain tiles from 1901-2000. We will continue to post tiles and explore the historic events associated with each tile. When you visit RMS we encourage you to look down and find your favorite tile profiled in the Grizzly Gram.

Fall Sports Information - from Mr. Mahendran, RMS Athletic Director

Welcome to after school Athletics at Redmond Middle School. Families can sign up for after school sports via Final Forms (the district platform for athletics) once registration for the 21-22 school year is open. Your student can register for up to 1 sport each season. Students do need to have a valid physical, be an ASB member (\$25) and pay the fee for sports (\$75). Scholarships are available, please contact Ms. Poblete (spoblete@lwsd.org) to request one. We recommend families schedule physicals over the summer, as all forms and payment need to be turned in by Wednesday September 8th to be eligible to participate in season 1. If you have questions, please contact our Athletic Director, Rathan Mahendran (rmahendran@lwsd.org). Signing up allows our school to plan for the most successful season possible. Payment for each season will open approximately 3 weeks prior to the start of the season. Season 1 payments will open in late August. We hope that your student will consider participating in something, it is a great way to be connected to a school, to build lasting relationships and have fun! At the middle school level every student will play on a team – there is a "no-cut" policy. We already have 73 students signed up for Boys Basketball, 50 students for Boys Tennis and 84 students for Co-ed Cross Country.

Season 1 (9/13-10/29) -

- · Boys Basketball
- Boys Tennis
- Co-ed Cross Country

Season 2 (11/1-12/17) -

- · Girls Badminton
- Boys Soccer

Season 3 (2/7-3/25) -

- Co-ed Wrestling
- Girls Basketball

Season 4 (4/11-6/3) -

- · Girls Volleyball
- Girls Tennis
- · Co-ed Track and Field



August 9 - RMS Office reopens (limited hours - call 425-936-2440)

August 26 (6-8pm) - 6th grade welcome back to RMS event

August 27 (6-8pm) - 7th grade welcome back to RMS event

August 30 (6-8pm) - 8th grade welcome back to RMS event

September 1 (8:10am-2:40pm-full day!) First day of school for 2021-22

September 8 - Last Day to sign up for RMS Fall Sports

September 13 - First Day of Fall Sports (through October 29)

September 17- Picture Day (ID card and photo packages)

September 21 - Curriculum Night

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