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| j0254409**PRINCIPAL’S CORNER**  Dear Parents/Guardians:  I hope you all had a fantastic weekend!  With 12 weeks of school left, the warmth of the season reminds us of the importance of prioritizing education. Every assignment counts, and attendance is crucial, especially as we navigate through the final stretch of the academic year.  April is a notably short month for our school community, with **schools closed on April 10th for Eid** and then for **Spring Break from April 22nd to April 30th**. In the midst of these closures, the **New York State Exams** are set to start this week with **ELA on April 11th and 12th**. Given the tight schedule, it’s exceptionally crucial for students to attend school before and after these breaks to ensure success and readiness.  Our students are ready to showcase their hard work and preparation through all New York State Exams.  The dedication of our teachers and the diligence of our students reinforce our confidence in their preparedness for these assessments.  Here are the rest of the state exam dates:   * **NYSESLAT - April 15th - May 24th** * **Math State Exam - May 7th and 8th** * **8th Grade Science Exam - May 15th** * **Algebra I Regents - June 4th (Morning)** * **Living Environment Regents - June 14th (Afternoon)**   With the school year swiftly moving forward, we have several important updates and events to share. **This week students receive their report cards for the third marking period**. It’s a crucial checkpoint for our students' academic journeys.  I want to address a matter of importance that significantly impacts your child's educational experience: punctuality. Ensuring that students arrive at school on time is not just a matter of routine but a cornerstone for their success, both academically and personally.  Each school day is carefully structured to maximize learning. Arriving late means your child misses vital instruction time, making it challenging to catch up.  This lost time accumulates, affecting their understanding of core subjects.  We want to work together to ensure students arrive on time.  This can be done by:   * **Establish a Morning Routine**: Create a consistent morning routine that allows ample time for your child to get ready for school without rushing. * **Prepare the Night Before:** Encourage your child to prepare their school bag, clothes, and any other necessities the night before. * **Emphasize the Importance of Punctuality:** Discuss with your child why being on time is important and how it reflects respect for themselves and others.   We appreciate your support in this endeavor and look forward to continuing our partnership in fostering an environment where all students can thrive. Following closely, we have a lineup of engaging events, including the PTA Cook Class and Election on April 13th and the SLT Meeting on April 16th at 3pm. These gatherings are key opportunities for our community to come together, discuss progress, and make plans for the future.  We continue to uphold our academic standards, reflected through our grading policy that balances homework, classwork, exams, quizzes, participation, and attendance. It’s a comprehensive approach designed to foster and evaluate student growth effectively.   * Homework: 20% * Classwork/Notebook: 20% * Exams and Projects: 30% * Quizzes: 10% * Participation: 10% * Attendance: 10%   IReady remains an invaluable tool for our students, particularly as they prepare for state exams. We remind our students and parents about the importance of timely assignment submission. Adherence to deadlines is crucial, as late submissions will result in grade deductions. This policy reinforces the value of responsibility and punctuality in our academic framework.  Thank you to all parents who have completed the NYC survey.  Please visit the NYC Department of education website to complete your survey.  <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/about-us/reports/school-quality/nyc-school-survey>.  This survey provides us with information on what we are doing well & areas of improvement.  We want to hear from you.  All students and their families that submit a completed survey will receive a raffle ticket, for a chance to win a prize.  If you are not able to complete the survey, please contact Ms. Ovalles, Parent Coordinator at (347)-939-3917.  I encourage you all to please use our website for up-to-date information:  [https://kappaiii.echalksites.com/](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fkappaiii.echalksites.com%2F&data=05%7C02%7CSPrice%40schools.nyc.gov%7C336ea47c602345e1874508dc53210239%7C18492cb7ef45456185710c42e5f7ac07%7C0%7C0%7C638476648432257301%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=U7AQn1xeyAUr5LL6eyk2blTXuNqySiJVgxgpDI0XTp0%3D&reserved=0). Thank you for your continued support and wish you and your family good health. Have a wonderful week!!  Jean Colon, Principal  **6th ,7th & 8th Grade Conferences**  **(*If you would like to speak to your child’s Professor, please call our Parent Coordinator Ms. Ovalles*.)**  **Congratulations** to **Class 602** for having the highest **Attendance Percentage of 94.4%** for the **week of April 1st.**  Classes: **601**—91.7%, **602**—91.4%, **603**—90.8%, **604**—90.0%  Classes: **701**—90.0%, **703**—92.9%, **704**—92.1%, **705**—61.4%  Classes: **801**—84.0%, **802**—86.8%, **803**—91.3%, **804**—87.5%, **805**—84.1%  **CONGRATULATIONS** to **Class 604** for having the highest attendance percentage of **95.3%** for the month of **March** you **WON A SUBWAY DAY** on **Friday, April 19th**. | Special Notices **REMINDERS**  **Reports Cards**  will be given  Monday, April 8th  **No School**  *Eid Al-Fitr*  Wednesday, April 10th  **ELA STATE EXAM**  Thursday, April 11th & Friday, April 12th  **Parent Cooking Class**  Saturday, April 13th  10:00am – 12:00pm  **SLT Meeting**  Tuesday, April 16th  3:00pm  **Free Eye Exam**  Wednesday, April 17th  **Career Day**  Wednesday, May 22nd  8:00am – 12:00pm  **SPRING RECESS**  Monday, April 22nd to Tuesday, April 30th  **State Readiness After School Program**  **Wed. & Thursdays**  2:20pm – 3:30pm  **FORMS**  **If you have the following forms**, bring it to the Office  Lunch Form & Emergency Contact  If You or Anyone in Your Family/Home  Feels Sick!  **STAY HOME & GET TESTED**  **KAPPA III WEB SITE**  *Check it out*  <https://kappaiii.echalksites.com/> |

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**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

**Thoughts to ponder….**

“The moon loves the sun just as shadows love light. Love your shadow until your love transforms it in light”.

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**Ms. Matthews**— Senior Dance June 6th, Affirmation Day June 12th, Graduation June 18th, Senior Trip June 20th

**Social Worker Ms. Williams** –

**Highlights for Grade 6**

**Math**— we will be completing unit 7 and preparing for the end of unit assessment. The assessment for unit 7 will take place next week on Monday.

**ELA** — we will wrap up our test preparation unit with a focus on multiple choice strategies & writing effective extended response essays.

**Science** – we will examine food chains & webs & complete ELA test passages.

**Social Studies** – this week we will be preparing for the NYS ELA Test.

**Physical Ed**— proper ways to catch & throw a softball.

**Music** – we will be preparing for the New York State ELA exam.

**Guidance Counselor Ms. Paniagua**– hope you all had a wonderful weekend. ELA testing is this week. Some things you should do before your exam are: Eat a healthy meal, set an alarm or two, get enough sleep, review study notes, don’t study too late and be ready for the morning. Have a great week of learning and good luck on the test. Your got this!

**Highlights for Grade 7**

**Math**— we will review proportional relationships on Monday & Tuesday. All classes will be taking the NYS ELA exam on Thursday and Friday.

**ELA**— we are continuing test prep & gamifying the reinforcement of learned skills. We will assist students in honing on the skills that may need more practice & use SGI to address any areas of concern.

**Science**— we will be ending the unit: Metabolism within 2 weeks. The last topic will be on nervous system.

**Social Studies**— we will prepare for our ELA State Test on Thursday and Friday.

**Physical Ed**— proper ways to catch & throw a softball.

**Music** – we will be preparing for the New York State ELA exam.

**Guidance Counselor Ms. Paniagua** —.

**Highlights for Grade 8**

**Math**— we will continue to prepare for the NYS Math Exam. We will work in stations to complete released questions from previous state exams.

**ELA** — we will wrap up practicing for the ELA State test with short responses from previous NYS ELA exams.

**Science**— we will be modeling Magnetic force.

**Social Studies**— we will analyze use primary & secondary sources to write an argumentative essay about American imperialism along with ELA test prep.

**Physical Ed**— proper ways to catch & throw a softball.

**Health**— know your body & how to keep it healthy from diseases.

**Guidance Counselor Ms. Vollmer** – I can’t believe how fast the time is going, so please encourage your child to come to school on time & to meet all of their requirements to graduate on time. We are very proud of all of our students & how much they have achieved thus far. Reminder that you can still add any waitlist schools to your myschools account & you have till September to add any schools.