

June 26, 2023

Our fourth-grade moving-on ceremony and eighth-grade graduation were held at Memorial Field on June 15, 2023, due to rain the previous day. Both ceremonies were a wonderful celebration for our students and their families. Thank you to:

- Ms. Smith, Ms. Zanin, Mr. Tantum, and Mr. McElroy for their efforts in planning for the ceremonies.
- Our secretaries, custodians, and maintenance staff for all their extra work in preparing the programs, certificates, diplomas, and setting up the stage and chairs.
- Our teachers from PreK through grade eight for preparing our students for their milestones of completing grade 4 and grade 8. Thank you to the teachers who organized and prepared students for the ceremonies, with a special thank you to Ms. Pidi and Ms. Abbey, who prepared musical performances.
- The Closter PTO, KPG, and parent committees for planning and providing the year-end extras for our students.
- The Closter Board of Education trustees for supporting our students and staff and for their attendance at the ceremonies.
- The Closter Mayor and Council for granting permission to use Memorial Field and to the Closter Recreation Department and the Closter Police Department for their great assistance!

The Board of Education and district administrators will attend the Closter Mayor and Council Meeting on Wednesday, June 28, 2023, to present information about the proposed referendum. The meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. If approved by the Closter voters, this bond referendum will allow us to keep our facilities up-to-date, and the projects are eligible for debt service aid from the state of New Jersey, thereby reducing the cost to taxpayers. I encourage everyone to visit our webpage to learn more about the September 26th referendum vote.

Our district's summer programs will begin on Wednesday, July 5, 2023. These programs will provide academic support and enrichment to 168 students! We are excited to offer these programs for students throughout July.

I encourage all students to read and practice math facts every day. Enjoy the summer!

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