

**RACHEL CARSON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL 237**  
**Magnet School for the Arts**  
**Achieving Academic Excellence through the Arts**  
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June 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The end of the 2017-18 school year is just a few weeks away. Although summer vacation is almost here, it is essential that we continue to encourage our youngsters to work hard and complete the year successfully. Please carefully review our June calendar as it contains many items that are important to you and your child.

**New York State Tests: Grade 8**

June 4: NYS Science Written (8<sup>th</sup> Grade & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade SP students)  
June 12 (AM): U.S. History & Government Regents (SP classes)  
June 12 (PM): Living Environment Regents (SP classes 813 & 814)  
June 13 (PM): Algebra I Regents (SP classes & 809)  
June 14 (PM): Earth Science Regents (801 & 807)  
June 18: (AM): Spanish Proficiency Written (SP students only)

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Special Events**

June 5: Awards Ceremony – 4:30 PM  
June 6: Graduation Rehearsal at Colden Auditorium, Queens College – 8:30 AM  
*Graduates must report directly to Colden Auditorium and will walk back to school accompanied by staff after rehearsal.*  
June 18: Graduation Ceremony at Colden Auditorium, Queens College – 12:30 PM  
June 19: Senior Trip (Boat Ride)

**Other Events**

May 31 & June 1: Victory Challenge Games  
June 6: 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip to CitiField  
June 7: Anniversary Day – No Students in Attendance  
June 8: 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Movie Trip  
June 11: Clerical Day – No Students in Attendance  
June 14: 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Concert - 9:45 AM **PARENTS WELCOME**  
June 15: Eid al Fitr – School Closed  
June 26: Last Day – Half-day

**IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- All textbooks and library books must be returned by June 14<sup>th</sup>. Students are required to return all other school materials and equipment by the conclusion of the school year.
- Summer School for mandated students in Grades 6, 7 and 8 will be held at IS 237. It will begin on Thursday, July 5<sup>th</sup>. Details will be issued with Parent Notification letters. Please contact Mr. Galizia (assistant principal in charge of summer school) or guidance counselors Ms. Lin (6<sup>th</sup> grade), Ms. Levardsen (7<sup>th</sup> grade) or Mr. Ye (8<sup>th</sup> grade) for further information.
- Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, is the first day of the 2018-19 school year. All students report to school at 8:00 AM.
- Summer Reading Lists and Assignments will be distributed on Monday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, as well as, posted on our school's website.

Thank you for your support throughout the year. I look forward to working with you and your children next year. Best wishes for a wonderful summer!

Very truly yours,

*Judith Friedman*  
Principal

