



# KERRY BLUE



Week of

June 10rd, 2019

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## Important Dates to Remember

**DIRECT LINE TO CAMP KERRY** 792-3178 ext. 1000  
(after school hours)

**DIRECT LINE TO NOAH'S ARK** 792-7402

6/18	Living Environment Regents
6/18	Luau
6/18	Last (cafeteria Lunch Day for students.
6/18	Noah's Ark Family Picnic 5:30
6/19	Kindergarten Graduation 11:00
6/19	Algebra Regents
6/20	Kindergarten Round up 9:30—10:30
6/20	8th Grade Graduation 5:30 <b>NO CAMP KERRY NA CLOSES AT 3:00</b>
6/21	No School NA & K-8
6/21-6/22	8th Grade Class Trip
6/24	8th Grade Foreign Language Proficiency Exam
6/25	NA End of Year Program 10-11:30 in the gym and cafeteria (4/5 Year old rooms only)
6/24-25	Half Day School Closes at Noon NA & K-8

**Library books are due back! Thank you for returning SMSA library books!**

### REMINDER!

**There is NO afternoon Camp Kerry on 6/20 or on the last two days of school 6/24 and 6/25. Dismissal will be at noon for Noah's Ark through 8th Grade**

Parents! New and returning families are seeking gently used uniform items for next year. Many thanks for checking closets for any uniform item in serviceable shape that could be donated to the Kerry Closet. (Gym items and girls jumpers especially!) Just send the clothes in marked "Kerry Closet" and we'll get them on the racks. Thank you for your generosity! The hand-me-downs are a tremendous blessing to many of our families!

# Class of 2019

Powerful Minds

Prayerful Hearts

Helpful Hands

**Please make arrangements with the school nurse to pick up your student's medication. New York State Law prohibits medications from being stored over the summer. Thank you.**

**Attention 5th Grade Parents**

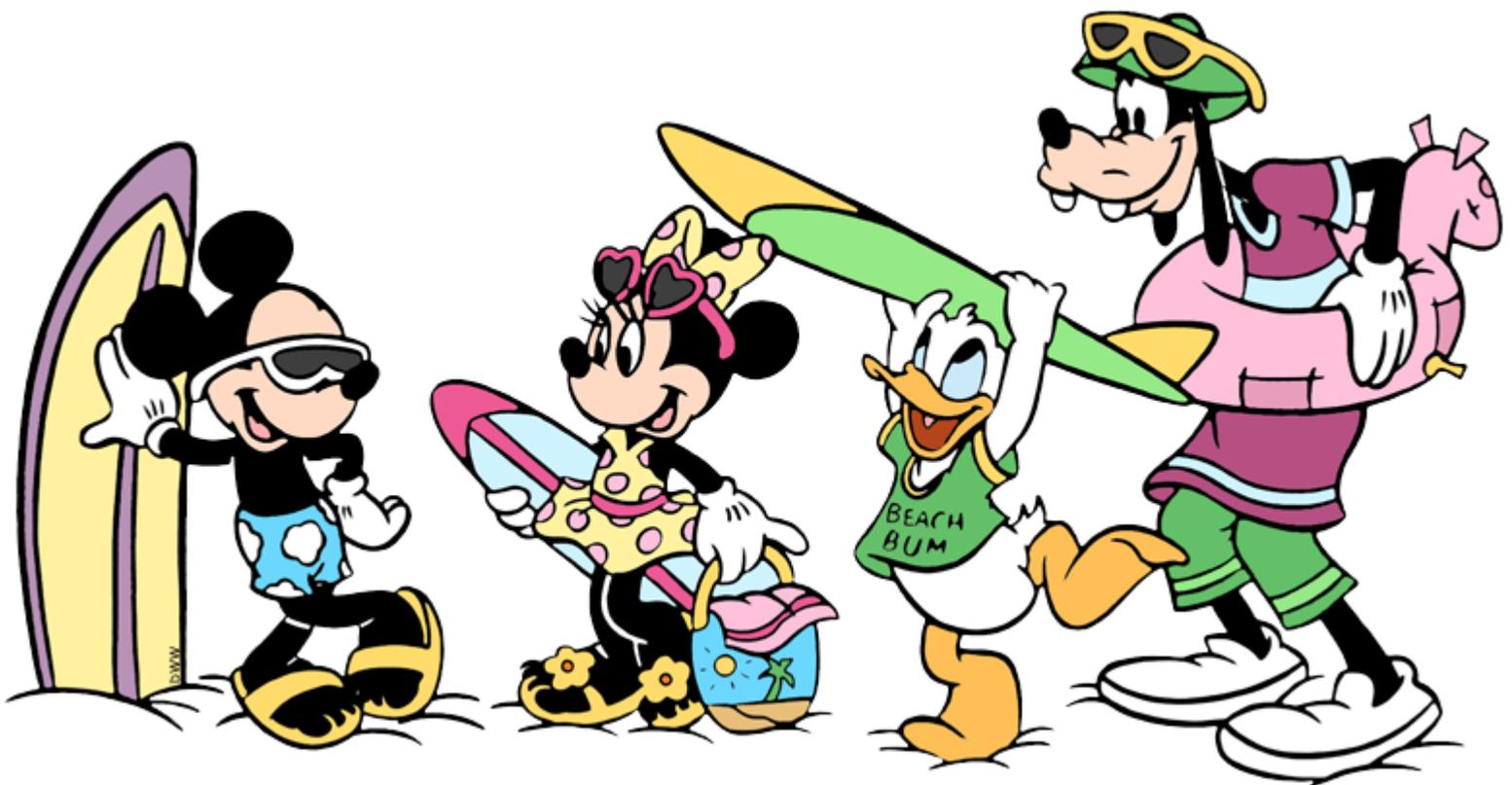
If your student is entering sixth grade in the fall, he/she is required by New York State to receive a **Tdap vaccine**. Please make sure your child receives this before September. If you are unsure if your child has received this vaccine, please call Jennifer Ortiz, School Nurse, at 792-3178 and she can easily provide you this information!

**Attention 6th Grade Parents**

If your student is entering seventh grade in the fall, he/she is required by New York State to receive a **Menigococcal vaccine**. Please make sure your child receives this before September. If you are unsure if your child has received this vaccine, please call Jennifer Ortiz, School Nurse, at 792-3178 and she can easily provide you this information!

Parents of 5th grade and up, please complete this survey for the PTSA about activities for next year.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WPBMZ35>



***LIBRARY UPDATE:*** *Well, our year in the library has all too quickly come to an end. I hope your child has enjoyed library time this year!*

Now and then, I review the long list of reasons why children should read, and continue to be amazed at how this one skill – reading- is such a game changer.

We all know the reasons why children should read: students do better in school, are more empathetic, and confident. Reading decreases stress, increases comprehension, writing skills, focus and one’s outlook on life. Readers tend to become leaders and enjoy a brighter future. Best of all, reading is fun and available on any budget or no budget at all.

As we break for the summer, thank you for all you’ve done and continue to do to support your child’s ability to enjoy and profit from a literate life.

Here’s what a few others have to say about the value of reading in a child’s life:

*“He that loves reading has everything within his reach.” ~ William Godwin*

*“Reading is a discount ticket to everywhere.” ~ Mary Schmich*

*There is no such thing as a child who hates to read; there are only children who have not found the right book. ~Frank Serafini*

And a favorite:

*“So it is with children who learn to read fluently and well: They begin to take flight into whole new worlds as effortlessly as young birds take to the sky.” ~William James*

May your reader take wings this summer!

*Mrs. I.*

**p.s.** Overdue books gratefully received!!

*SMSA Library Services...fostering your child’s capacity to lead a literate life.*