

Markham Place School **NEWSLETTER**



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Message from Mr. Pepe

Greetings Markham Warrior community,

In like a lion, out like a lamb.... Let's hope that the "lamb" part of March gets rolling and we get some sunshine and nice weather pretty soon!

As usual, there are many happenings in the month of March, highlighted by our school musical, **The Addams Family**, which debuts March 12th and runs through the weekend. Ticketing information can be found below.

There are a lot of happenings for **8th Grade Parents** included within. These include the graduation slideshow, RBR Scheduling & Summer Slam, and the return of the tri-dance with Shrewsbury & Red Bank Borough.

Information about all of the above, and much more, can be found in this newsletter.

As always, thank you for sending us your children!

Respectfully,

Antonio Pepe
Principal

Upcoming Dates & Events

DATE	EVENT	TIME & LOCATION
Monday, 03/09	PTO Warrior Grant Assembly Eddie Cortes Digital Citizenship	During School Hours
Tuesday, 03/10	Challenge Day (7th Grade)	During School Hours
Tuesday, 03/10 - Thursday, 03/12	Baseball Tryouts	3:15pm Location TBD
Wednesday, 03/11	5th Grade LEAD Program	During AM School Hours
Wednesday, 03/11	8th Grade Visiting Point Road School for Read Across America Day	<i>RESCHEDULED FROM 3 / 5</i> During School Hours
Wednesday, 03/11	Esports/Computer Club Meeting	3:05pm MPS Esports Lab
Thursday, 03/12 - Saturday, 03/14	School Play Performances The Addams Family Musical	<i>*See flyer below for ticketing information</i>
Saturday, 03/14	Little Silver Fire Dept St. Patrick's Day Fundraiser	3:00pm Little Silver FD
Monday, 03/16	PTO Cultural Arts Assembly Black Women in History	<i>RESCHEDULED FROM 2 / 25</i> During School Hours
Wednesday, 03/18	5th Grade LEAD Program	During AM School Hours
Wednesday, 03/18	Esports/Computer Club Meeting	3:05pm MPS Esports Lab
Thursday, 03/19	Nicholas Creamery Little Silver Teachers Guest Scoop Night	4:00-6:00pm Nicholas Creamery (Fair Haven)
Friday, 03/20	Technology Career Day	During School Hours

8th Grade Parents – Slideshow Photos Needed!!!

Hello 8th Grade Parents!

The PTO hosts the 8th grade Graduation Dance on graduation night, and one of the students' favorite traditions is a slideshow of memories.

The slideshow will be shown to the 8th graders at the school dance on graduation night and then posted to a secure, password-protected school website accessible only to 8th-grade parents via an LSPTO email. The slideshow will be available for download on that site.

We are using a Google Form to collect students' photos. Please follow the directions below to ensure your photos are submitted correctly.

DIRECTIONS TO SUBMIT YOUR PHOTOS:

- It is recommended to use a laptop or desktop (not a phone) to name and save your photos before uploading them to the form.
- Please prepare and save the files listed below with their correct names.
 - 1 baby or toddler photo (TaylorSwiftBaby.jpg)
 - 1 elementary school photo (TaylorSwiftElem.jpg)
 - 1 current photo (TaylorSwiftCurrent.jpg)
 - 1-3 group shots of current Markham Place 8th graders taken over the years. (TaylorSwiftGroup1.jpg), etc.
- Use this [Google Form](#) to upload your photos.

To allow us enough time to complete the slideshow and ensure that all of your children are included, please send the photos **no later than Friday, March 6.**

If you have any questions, contact Kristen Flaherty (Ksinacore@hotmail.com) or Jennifer Salvo (jennsalvo@aol.com).

Thank you,

The LSPTO

Converlation Extended Homeroom (with 6th Grade Parent Activity)

On Thursday, March 26th, our students will once again participate in an extended homeroom for our Converlation program.

6th Grade Parents

You are invited to attend a grade-level wide parent activity in the morning from 8:15-9:00am in the MPS Cafetorium. You will have the opportunity to participate with your child and their teachers as they move through the discussion prompts and view the video.

Please fill out the [form](#) if you are interested in attending. We hope to see you there!

If you have any questions, please reach out to Mrs. Silva at msilva@littlesilverschools.org.

All Parents

If you have not registered for Converlation yet at home, you can do so using the following conventions depending on your child's grade level:

Grade 5: Converlation.com/Watch5	Grade 7: Converlation.com/Watch7
Grade 6: Converlation.com/Watch6	Grade 8: Converlation.com/Watch8

If you need any help registering or have any questions about the program, please reach out to Mrs. Silva at msilva@littlesilverschools.org.

School Play Performance



Thursday, March 12th
4:30 PM

Friday, March 13th
7:00 PM

Saturday, March 14th
7:00 PM

Ticketing Information

All tickets will be sold online by visiting: <https://cur8.com/> and search "Little Silver".

Public Ticket Sales

Ticket sales will begin on **Wednesday, March 4th** and will be available for anyone in the community to purchase tickets.

Ticket Pricing

Thursday, March 12th at 4:30 PM

Ticket price: \$10 per person plus processing fees

Senior citizens can receive 1 complimentary ticket per person for the THURSDAY performance by contacting Ms. Files at afiles@littlesilverschools.org.

Friday, March 13th at 7:00 PM

Ticket price: \$10 per person plus processing fees

Saturday, March 14th at 7:00 PM

Ticket price: \$10 per person plus processing fees

Red Bank Regional Scheduling Day (8th Grade)

Dear 8th Grade Parents/Guardians,

Save the Date! The Red Bank Regional High School counseling team will be visiting Markham Place School on Friday, April 17 to meet with all incoming freshmen for course scheduling.

Please take a moment to complete the [RBR Scheduling Google Form](#). Additional information including scheduling documents and your child's meeting time will be shared in the coming weeks.

Thanks!

Allison Ponterio
School Counselor
732-741-7112 ext: 3015

2026 Summer Slam – Red Bank Regional

8th Grade Parents



Below you will find links for Red Bank Regional High School's 2025 Summer Slam brochures as well as a Google Survey link for sign-up.

Program Details

Dates: July 6th - July 30th

Time: 8am - 1pm

Lunch will be provided

Transportation will be provided

Students who attend all 4 weeks of the program receive 2.5 credits towards graduation

[Summer Slam Brochure 2026](#)

[Google Form](#) for signing up electronically



**Thursday, March 19th,
Nicholas Creamery,
Fair Haven!**

4-6 pm

**Teachers are scooping
ice cream!**

**Come support Little
Silver!**

**15% of all sales made go back to
our school!**

MGT 2026

Performance is Friday March 27th

Please submit the form to the front office or email it
to markhamsgottalent@gmail.com

Include all information and participants in your act

NAME _____

GRADE _____

ACT (if interested in MC - 8th grade only, write MC)

If you are a group, please list ALL members:

Parent email: _____

Parents Name _____

Parent Cell # _____

****Students must attend at least 2 if not ALL rehearsals.**
Rehearsal Schedule: **Tues. 24th, Wed. 25th, Thurs. 26th 3:15-5pm**

RETURN FORM NO LATER THAN **FRIDAY, MARCH 6TH**
Return Form to Lindsay Johnson at markhamsgottalent@gmail.com

Looking forward to seeing all of your greatness!!

ATTN: 7th Grade Parents



Dear Parents/Guardians,

On Tuesday, March 10th all 7th grade students will participate in Challenge Day. Challenge day is a full day SEL program designed to break down walls, create connections and improve the overall culture and climate of the school.

Challenge Day leaders begin the morning by helping students step out of their comfort zones through music and games. When the kids begin to feel safe in the group, they are then willing to be vulnerable with one another and connect as human beings and no longer from stereotypes and labels that have been placed upon them. Leaders also spend a portion of the morning talking about the healthy expression of emotions, and the negative effects of keeping feelings inside.

During the afternoon, participants dive into deeper issues and examine the impact various events have had on their lives and the lives of people around them. By the end of the afternoon, participants have an opportunity to take a stand, make amends for hurts they have caused each other, and state their commitment to creating change on their campus and in their community. The day is both inspiring and awakening for students and adults.

Challenge Day programs increase self-esteem, help shift peer pressure to positive peer support, and reduce the acceptability of teasing. The program inspires youth and communities to Be the Change they wish to see in the world, and challenge others to do the same.

This is an opt out only event, if you have any questions or concerns please reach out to Mrs. Ponterio or Mr. Pepe.

Please check out the Challenge Day website for more information.

Website link: <https://www.challengeday.org/>

Thank you to the LS PTO and LS Board of Education for making this event possible!

8th Grade Tri-Dance

Last year, our Markham Place Student Council organized and hosted the first (in many years) tri-school dance with Shrewsbury and Red Bank. The night was a major success!

This year, the tradition will continue as our friends at Red Bank Borough will be hosting the 8th grade dance. Our student council will once again be planning and coordinating our piece. We are looking forward to another great night.

Friday, April 17th – Save the Date!





LITTLE SILVER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Cafeteria Menu for March 2026
Student Lunch \$6.00 Adult lunch \$6.00

GOURMET SANDWICH OF THE WEEK \$ 7.00
 GOURMET SALAD OF THE WEEK \$7.00
 FRESH FRUIT AND YOGURT PARFAIT \$4.50
 HOMEMADE SOUP \$3.25

Two Complete Lunch Choices Daily

Hot Entree Lunch

Bagel Lunch (with Yogurt and String Cheese)

All Lunches are served with homemade soup, fresh Fruit, fresh veggies and Choice of milk or water

Follow this link for Nutritional Information and Pricing of Snacks



www.simplifiedculinaryservices.com

**Please note menu items are subject to change depending upon availability **

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Soup of the Day Chicken Noodle	Soup of the Day Chicken Noodle	Soup of the Day Chicken Noodle	Soup of the Day Chicken Noodle	Soup of the Day Chicken Noodle
2 NAE Chicken Nuggets Corn Fresh Fruit Milk or Water Pasta Fagioli V	3 Waffle Sticks Hashbrown Sausage Fresh Fruit Milk or Water Pasta Fagioli V	4 Pasta with Homemade, Locally Sourced Marinara Green Beans Fresh Fruit Milk or Water Pasta Fagioli V	5 Hand Tossed Pizza Garden Salad Homemade Soup Fresh Fruit Milk or Water	6 All Beef Cheeseburgers Mixed Veggies Homemade Soup Fresh Fruit Milk or Water
9 NAE Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Fresh Fruit Milk or Water Potato Cheddar	10 French Toast Sticks Hashbrown Sausage Fresh Fruit Milk or Water Potato Cheddar	11 Pasta with Locally Sourced Marinara Grass Fed Beef Meat Sauce Butternut Squash Fresh Fruit Milk or Water Potato Cheddar	12 Hand Tossed Pizza Garden Salad Homemade Soup Fresh Fruit Milk or Water	13 Chicken Patty Sandwich Roasted Carrots Homemade Soup Fresh Fruit Milk or Water
16 NAE Chicken Nuggets Corn Fresh Fruit Milk or Water Farro, Spinach & White Bean V	17  Waffle Sticks Hashbrown Sausage Fresh Fruit Milk or Water Farro, Spinach & White Bean V	18 Pasta with Homemade, Locally Sourced Marinara Mixed Veggies Fresh Fruit Milk or Water Farro, Spinach & White Bean V	19 Hand Tossed Pizza Garden Salad Homemade Soup Fresh Fruit Milk or Water	20 Italian Grilled Cheese with Homemade Marina Brussels Sprouts Fresh Fruit Homemade Soup Milk or Water
23 NAE Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Fresh Fruit Milk or Water Roasted Red Pepper Bisque	24 Pancakes Hashbrown Sausage Fresh Fruit Milk or Water Roasted Red Pepper Bisque	25 Pasta with Locally Sourced Marinara Beef Meatballs Garden Salad Fresh Fruit Milk or Water Roasted Red Pepper Bisque	26 Hand Tossed Pizza Garden Salad Homemade Soup Fresh Fruit Milk or Water	27 Nachos with Grass Fed Beef and Cheese Homemade Soup Roasted Brussels Sprouts Fresh Fruit Milk or Water
30 NAE Chicken Nuggets Corn Fresh Fruit Milk or Water Cream of Broccoli with Cheddar	31 French Toast Sticks Hashbrown Sausage Fresh Fruit Milk or Water Cream of Broccoli with Cheddar			

v=Vegetarian NAE=No Antibiotics Ever

March [Gourmet Menu](#)

March [Vegetarian Gourmet Menu](#)