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Dear Families,

Thank you for your commitment to the well-being and education of our students. By striving together, we can ensure our students' physical and academic growth. As we approach the upcoming fall break, I wanted to take a moment to share some important safety reminders.

First, we want to draw your attention to the potential risks associated with certain Tik Tok challenges. Challenges such as eating spicy chips or engaging in play fighting can lead to injury for your child or others. We are confident that these behaviors are not encouraged in your homes, and we kindly request that you talk to your children about the importance of making safe choices and understanding the consequences of their actions.

We also want to inform and remind all parents and legal guardians of their responsibilities regarding firearm safety, as required by California law. Recent news reports across the country have highlighted instances of children bringing firearms to schools, often obtained from their homes. These incidents can be prevented by securely storing firearms in a locked container or with a locking device that renders the firearm inoperable and storing them separately from ammunition. We urge you to take a moment to assess your personal practices to ensure full compliance with California law, as negligent storage of firearms is a crime and carry potential criminal and civil penalties, including fines and imprisonment.

As for COVID-19, it is imperative to remain vigilant as the virus continues to be present in our community. We strongly recommend considering vaccinations, wearing masks in crowded spaces or when around individuals who may be unwell, maintaining rigorous hand hygiene practices, and practicing social distancing whenever feasible. If your child displays any symptoms of illness, keep them at home and ensure they receive a COVID-19 test. Rapid tests are readily available upon request at your school office. Please refrain from sending medications to school with your child to treat symptoms.

Lastly, please take note that the fall break is scheduled to start on September 25, 2023, with students returning on October 10, 2023. We look forward to upcoming parent conferences, set to begin on October 13, 2023, and extend our sincere appreciation for your continued partnership in our students' success. Have a great break.

Warm regards,

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