**SUMMER REMINDERS FROM THE NURSE**

Summer is almost here! Please encourage your children to keep safety in mind this summer when climbing, jumping and playing. Be sure to wear the proper safety gear when riding a bicycle or skateboarding. Do not go swimming alone.

\*\*\***IMPORTANT NEWS FOR PARENTS FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**\*\*\*

**NYS PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:** It is not too soon to start thinking about next school year. Physicals are required for grades **PK or K (if not in PK),1,3,5 and 7**. If your child had a physical on/after September 5, 2022 this can be submitted for the 2023-2024 school year. Call if you need a physical form for an upcoming appointment.

**IMMUNIZATIONS:**

**To all Pre-K Parents**: Students entering Kindergarten in September must have proof of a Second Varicella and MMR vaccination. Also an additional Dtap and Polio vaccination are required after 4 years of age.

 To all **5th grade** : New York State requires a Tdap Booster vaccine and proof of a Second Varicella shot for all students entering 6th grade. This shot must be given once your child turns 11. If your child turns 11 after the start of the school year in September then the shot must be done after their birthday.

**To all 6th grade:**  NYS requires all students entering 7th Grade **MUST have a Meningococcal Vaccination** to start school.

\*\*\*\* **Please be sure the vaccinations are completed, they are New York State Requirements. Your child can be excluded from starting school in September if the vaccinations are not completed. Letters will be sent home notifying you if your child does not have an immunization on record in the Health Office**\*\*\*\*\*

**FORMS FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR:** New forms are needed yearly for medication to be given in school as well as medical updates for children with health concerns. Forms will be mailed home. Have your child’s doctor complete the forms over the summer and return them at the start of school in September along with any ordered medication.

**MEDICATION IN SCHOOL**

If your child has any medication, an inhaler/epi-pen/Benadryl, etc. in the clinic, please pick it up by the last day of school. **Medication must be picked up by parent/guardian or designated adult it cannot be sent home with your child. Medication not picked up by the last day of school will be disposed of.**

Please call with any questions or concerns. Mrs. Castilon, RN School Nurse Phone: 278-9142 Fax: 278-9156