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Dear Parents, Guardians and Staff;

I hope you are enjoying this Sunday afternoon and can find fun ways to cool off. This message is to inform you that due to the excessive heat anticipated for Monday and Tuesday and the requirement to wear masks in school buildings, we will have an early dismissal both on Monday and Tuesday of this week. Students will be dismissed at 12:45 which is typical for an early dismissal day.

I am sorry for any inconvenience this may create for families as we wrap up this long school year. I want to commend you on an outstanding job this year with MANY different requirements and changes to our learning model. You have made it! I want to give another shout out to every employee and to the Brooklyn Board of Education. This has been a year of challenges and you have supported our schools, students and community of students, and families. Together we have made a difficult situation positive in so many ways! I can't thank each of you enough for all you have done at home and in our schools!

Please also be aware that the Town of Brooklyn is coordinating with Brooklyn Public Schools to offer a vaccination at the Brooklyn Public Schools through our local northeast district Department of health. They will be bringing a mobile van to Brooklyn Middle School to administer vaccinations both the first round and the second round. This is open to any individual ages 12 and up and will have both the Moderna and Pfizer vaccinations. Individuals who choose Pfizer will have to return for their second dose 3 weeks later.

Dates: June 18th and June 19th; and July 9th and 10th at Brooklyn Middle School

- Minors can get vaccinated (with Pfizer) if accompanied by a parent/guardian.

You may be aware that states have started to move the mask mandates in schools, but that has not happened in Connecticut yet. I do think this will be in place for our summer academy and parks and recreation program this summer. Any individual who wishes to wear a mask at that point can still wear a mask. As you know none of the children in our elementary school will be eligible to receive a vaccination anytime soon.

I want to make this a final message to families and wish you a wonderful healthy summer. Please watch for messages from BES and BMS regarding end of the year activities and thank you for a once in a lifetime school year!

Sincerely,

Patricia L. Buell
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