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Greetings Parents,

In a few weeks, we hope that the material that students have been studying at The Academy will be truly brought to life during class trips. Whether it be through exploring the Metropolitan Museum of Art, walking the shores of Walden Pond, watching a whale breach off of Cape Cod, meandering through the battlefields of Gettysburg, or learning about the ecosystems in Charlemont's backyard, students will be creating memories that supplement their classroom work. Additionally, we hope that these adventures help classes grow closer together, ready to finish off the school year with a refreshed energy and commitment to the community.

In preparation for these trips, please make sure that you have read each class' trip letter and take note of the points below.

As is the case everyday at The Academy, students are trusted to make informed and honorable decisions. If any student violates any major school rules or does not follow the expectations outlined by the chaperones, the student will not be permitted to stay on the trip. Families will be responsible for the transportation required for the student to return home immediately.

We ask that any students taking prescription medications bring enough medication for the trip and give this medication to the trip leader on the morning of departure. Chaperones will be responsible for dispensing the medication. If your child has any change in their medical needs, please let us know. We want to be prepared and we want to make sure that your children have the support they need over the three days they are gone.

Please make sure that your child has any phone numbers that they may need in order to reach you on the trip home, as return times are often impacted by traffic and other unforeseen circumstances, and we'd like to ensure as smooth a pick-up process as possible.

We hope that you will reach out to your child's trip leaders with specific questions if you have them and that you'll have the opportunity to hear plenty of stories upon your child's return!

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,
John Schatz & Neale Gay