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Good Bye to School Year 2018-2019!

Cadets and parents, we have finished another rewarding school year here at Maritime Academy Charter School. I would like to take a few minutes to reflect on the year and look at the many events and initiatives that were offered.

An important new program we introduced last year was Responsive Classroom. This schoolwide program is rooted in the belief that students do best when they share a sense of community in a positive learning environment. Most of our teachers built this positive spirit through morning meetings and the many bonding and social activities available throughout the morning meeting format. We will build on this positive momentum next school year as we continue to expand on all of the pillars of Responsive Classroom.

Some of the events I would like to highlight from this year are:

- We continued with several annual events such as the Trunk or Treat, International Unity Day, Carnival Day, and two book fairs.
- We had several successful fundraisers including another Kiss the Pig event and candy sale.
- Some firsts this year included:
 - Sending 8th grade cadets on a three day trip to the Mystic Seaport in Connecticut,
 - Our boys' basketball team making a SEPCAL championship game appearance, and
 - Our end of the year uniform donation, which was a huge success!

As we have in years past, we will continue to offer our Summer Odyssey program for current and future cadets in Kindergarten through 12th grade. The hours of the summer program are from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM and it is FREE. There are still a few spaces available, so enroll your child now if you have not done so already. The first day of Summer Odyssey is Monday, July 1st. We hope to see many of you on the first day.

If I do not see you this summer, then I want to wish you a restful and happy summer!

Sincerely,

Peter Saunders
Elementary School Principal