# March 11, 2015

Dear Grade 6 Families,

The Grade 6 science camp to Pinnacles National Park is an exciting part of our science curriculum. Students will participate in a four-day program of study and exploration organized and run by Naturalists at Large (NAL) from Tuesday April 28 – Friday May 1. The program offers exploration of various habitats, hiking, climbing, geology instruction, and team building activities. The students will be at a camping site east of the Pinnacles. The site has a swimming pool and students will be allowed to swim, supervised by a certified lifeguard from Naturalists at Large, and a faculty member. The weather at the Pinnacles varies with cold nights and warm days. The students will be camping in tents so they will need a range of clothing options, a swimsuit, sun block, and a sunhat. A detailed equipment list is on the back of this page.

Our bus will depart from the Carmel Campus on Tuesday, April 28, at 8:30 a.m. and return on Friday, May 1, around 2:30 p.m. Students will be tired when they return, so we ask that you please pick your child up promptly. Students need to pack a lunch for Tuesday that we will eat when we arrive at the Pinnacles. Cell phones and iPods are not allowed, please have your child leave these items at home.

Students are also expected to adhere to our school behavior standards for the duration of the trip. Finally, please respect our policy that students may not bring extra food (including gum and candy) to the Pinnacles. Food in their gear and tents will attract unwanted animals. The students will have plenty of food at camp.

Visit the science camp webpage at [www.ccsciencecamps.weebly.com](http://www.ccsciencecamps.weebly.com) and click on the ‘Pinnacles’ tab to view information on the Pinnacles site, this letter, consent forms, the equipment list, and photographs from previous science camps.

Please return the enclosed color-coded medical/consent forms to the front office by **Wednesday, April 1.** Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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