Good morning! Happy Friday! Today is a beautiful day and I'm hoping that joy and fun fills your time throughout.

Shea Payne will be on Channel 3 leading an instructional activity with a colleague from another campus. This will be a great opportunity for our students and for Discovery. Please tune-in to Channel 3 to see her lesson Monday, April 20th at 9:30 am and 4:00 pm. The 9:30 lesson is taped live and it will be replayed at 4:00. We are so excited for her and grateful that Sheri Arnette (Curriculum Director) asked one of our educators to participate.

Below is a message from our Gifted Coordinator, Tamara Cosby:

"Hi Discovery Friends! Our Gifted Department has been hard at work finding engaging activities for your students to use during this time. Please follow us on Twitter: @MCSgifted to see all of the fun things we have posted. We only post the things we love...we only reTweet the things we love. If you have any questions feel free to reach out to me: tamara.cosby@cityschools.net."

Principals will be making decisions with Dr. Gilbert in regard to student's personal items in the classrooms and getting those back to families, as well as many other decisions on our process of closing out this school year. I will keep you informed of decisions and procedures as they are finalized.

I am brainstorming options of celebrating and giving our 5th and 6th graders who are leaving Discovery an opportunity to say goodbye and have closure to their elementary years. If you are a parent of a 5th/6th grader and have ideas you think are safe, creative, and following social distance protocols that will surely be in place the next few months, please email me those ideas/thoughts. I will be speaking with other principals as we all have the desire to celebrate our students that are graduating elementary school and advancing in their educational journey.

It has been a joy to see some of our student's faces on the Zoom calls. I am grateful to have the opportunity to say hello. For those I am not seeing, please know you are close in thought and heart.

Take care and stay safe.

Kristina Maddux