



Welcome Back Meeting  
Wednesday August 24, 2016

- I. Introduction/Invocation – Father Ritt
- II. Motto – Same old, same old!
  - a. Consistency
  - b. Fairness
  - c. Transparency
- III. Revised Dress Code
  - a. ¼ Zip for grades 1-8
  - b. Navy vests/sweaters (Blazer optional) must be worn for Boys grades 1-8 on Mass Days / Picture Day
  - c. Blue and white spirit wear shirts can be worn for gym
  - d. Performance collared shirts are available K-8 (JB Pride –formally JB Edwards)
- IV. Introduction of Faculty/Staff
  - a. New Faculty/Positions/responsibilities
    - i. Mrs. Allison Farraher – Resource teacher 3 days a week.
    - ii. Mr. & Mrs. Walsh have retired
    - iii. Mrs. Vicky Malatesta – Kindergarten Aide
    - iv. Dr. Thorp – Prek 4 – 8 (full time)
    - v. Ms. Annie Pitasi – Guidance (Full time)
    - vi. Ms. Caitlin O’Flynn – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade
    - vii. Mrs. Kerriane Sherburne – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade
    - viii. Ms. Rancatore – 6-8 English/ELA and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade History
    - ix. Gym Teacher – TBD
- V. Curriculum/Enrichment
  - a. Dr. Thorp – details
    - i. We will be offering Band and Choir with Dr. Thorp during the school day. (Monday/Fridays) Jr./Sr. for both
    - ii. Needham Music
  - b. Mrs. Yobaccio – Enrichment 2016/2017
  - c. Mrs. Farraher – Resource teacher (M/W/F)
    - i. New program
  - d. Student Summer Reading/Math(Moby Max/Khan Academy) books are due by September 6th
    - i. Moby Max will be use throughout the school (Grades 1-8)
  - e. Sarah Marsella
    - i. Winter Camps
    - ii. Feb/April Vacation Camps
  - f. Before/After School
    - i. New form on website
    - ii. 6:45 – 7:15 Drop off \$5( \$3 siblings, 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> children are free) – Staffed by Ms. Bushway
    - iii. 7:15 – 7:45 Same as always
  - g. Drama – huge success!! Same as last year!!!

- VI. Testing
  - a. NWEA MAP – North West Evaluation Assessment , Measure Academic Progress– Archdiocese of Boston
- VII. Safety/Facilities
  - a. Nurse PA – forms
  - b. AC units!!! 17 units were installed. Thank you to all who donated along with the Angels of OLA and Tim Rogovich.
  - c. Café windows were tinted –one way
  - d. All the floors were waxed. Special Thank you to Steve Severino and his crew!
  - e. Purchases by the PTO:
    - i. Curtains for café stage
    - ii. Podium for meetings (with logo)
    - iii. Benches in main office hall/paint
    - iv. Carpet in Dr. Thorp’s room
      - 1. New electrical outlets
    - v. School seal/Mission Statement to be place in main hallway/stairwell (same as on podium)
  - f. Playground in St. Francis Center
    - i. Border – Thank you Dan Whelan
- VIII. Partnership
  - a. Professional Development at OLA with OLA/SMA faculty.
- IX. Technology
  - a. New Website by Edlio. Mock up available. Launch date – TBD
    - i. Thank you committee – Mr.& Mrs. Ronningen, Tony Cannistraci, Mary Gaeta, Paula Millar and Amy Rogovich.
    - ii. Current Families Tab
  - b. 2 New laptops for faculty
  - c. Purchases Moby Max for grades 1-8 (helps reinforce NWEA MAP testing)
  - d. MSP – My Student Progress
    - 1. Login ID’s for parents for online report cards (Grades 1-8), mobile access
    - 2. Progress Reports: PreK-Grade 3 on paper/ Grades 4-8 online grade access (no progress reports)
    - 3. Login for class lists. New families will receive an email to login.
- X. Advisory Board
  - a. New member – Mike Paolini
  - b. Last year for Tony Cannistraci/Sheila O’Toole – Thank you both so much!
- XI. Athletics
  - a. There will be a Cross Country sign up Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM in café
    - i. Practices will be T/W/F from 3-4pm (weather/space permitting)
  - b. Phyllis West –AD (BFF- Mike Gioia)
  - c. 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Girls Basketball Tourney – held at Bishop Fenwick named after Mr. John Jaworski – Date TBD
  - d. OLA Soccer
    - i. “Winter” indoor league. Thank you to Dan DiCesare, all the coaches and Danvers indoor sports
  - e. Mandatory Coaches/volunteer meeting
    - i. Sportsmanship
    - ii. On/Off Field/court behavior
    - iii. Parental involvement
      - 1. OLA parent/student Code of Conduct form
      - 2. CORI
      - 3. Protecting God’s Children (only once)
- XII. PTO – Amy Rogovich/Sarah Marsella
  - a. Function of PTO
  - b. New roles/positions
  - c. Activities/Events(dates)
    - i. PTO Meeting Back to School / Meet the Teacher Night – Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

- ii. Drive-in Movie Night/ Ice Cream Social – at Saint Maria Goretti
    - iii. Night of the Arts at OLA – Thank you Mrs. Lynch/Mrs. Angelosanto/Dr. Thorp/Mr. Bachner/Mrs. Gabriel
  - d. Spirit wear / Used Uniforms
  - e. VOLUNTEERISM - Get involved!
    - i. Recess Duty – Need people this year!!!!
- XIII. Café – Paula Maylor (7:30pm for questions)
  - a. 2 Lunches
  - b. Lunch tokens will be \$3.00 purchases through SMART tuition
  - c. Volunteers! Thanks to all those who have helped over the past few years!
  - d. Hot lunch starts Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>
- XIV. Financial – Caterina Benitez
  - a. Financial snapshot
  - b. SMART Tuition
- XV. Fundraisers
  - a. Auction - Mrs. Donahue/Mrs. Armata/Mrs. Mason
    - i. Raised over \$ 43K last year - Thank you to all!
    - ii. Many people have expressed interest - need more!
  - b. Super Raffle
    - i. See Lyn Mason for volunteer opportunities – October
  - c. Craft Fair – December 3<sup>rd</sup> – details to come
  - d. 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament – Raised almost \$ 4K
  - e. 2<sup>nd</sup> year of Fun Day – Thank you to Mr. Gallant!!! Let’s do it again! Over \$6K raised!!
    - i. Mrs. Rogovich/ All parents/teachers for volunteering at stations (donating water)
    - ii. Mr. & Mrs. DiPiero/Mrs. Fringuelli – Food/cooking
    - iii. Mr. & Mrs. Bono – Slush
    - iv. West Family, Mrs. Malala, Mrs. Gioia and Mrs. Robertson – Funnel Cakes
    - v. Mr. Jorge/Mr. O’Connor – Dunk tank
    - vi. Mr. & Mrs. Carbone/Caterina Benitez/Catino Families for donating hamburgers/hotdogs and condiments
- XVI. Spirituality
  - a. Continue to have individual monthly Masses
  - b. Faculty Retreat – Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> – No School - (This year will be Service)
  - c. Faculty will continue their C21 Training through Boston College – Thank you Prof. Fr. Ritt
  - d. “Protecting God’s Children” - See back page for locations/times
    - i. RCAB Requirements
      - 1. CORI , Ministry Code of Conduct (See Mrs. Rogovich)
- XVII. Vision
  - a. Less than 1 – Pave the SFC grass – Looking for families to help find bids
  - b. 3-5 Years
    - i. Entering year 5....
      - 1. Renovate 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of St. Francis Center
  - c. 5 Years +
    - i. I can only see into the future with your help and support!
- XVIII. Wrap up – socialize and mingle!

**Protecting God’s Children Class:**

Steve Gannon – Director of Youth Faith Formation OLA/SMG will be offering a class on September 15<sup>th</sup> in the OLA Church hall from 7PM – 9PM.