



THE THURSDAY NEWS

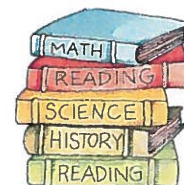
August 22, 2019



Friday, August 30th: All School Mass/Blessing of Backpacks, 8:15AM, Church

Monday, September 2nd: No School; Labor Day

Friday, September 20th: No School; Staff Development



— WELCOME — BACK TO SCHOOL

We would like to take this time to welcome everyone back to school!

Thank you to the many families who came out to Monday's Meet the Teacher / Ice Cream Social event. Congratulations to the McCrudden Family for being the winner of the \$25 Dennis Uniform gift certificate.

Each family received a car magnet as a welcome back gift. If you would like an additional one, there is a limited quantity available for sale in the office.

It is good to see everyone back, and we are looking forward to the 2019-20 School Year!

Welcome New Staff

We would like to welcome the following individuals to our staff this year:

Mrs. Erin Boyle Folino— Principal / Technology (Grades 7-8)

Sr. Agnes Michna—Religion

Ms. Emilia Walasik—3rd-8th Music

Ms. LynToya Pate—1st Grade (maternity leave)

Mrs. Kia Loster—5th Grade / Language Art

Mr. Michael Gallagher—6th Grade / Science



Please remember to keep all our staff, new and returning, in your prayers for a successful school year!

Reminders

☑ **Raffle Tickets:** Raffle Tickets are going home today with your youngest child unless they have not yet been paid for. These are yours to either fill out for yourself, or sell to others. Please make sure to return ticket stubs to the office by October 1: We cannot draw your ticket if your ticket stub has not been returned. Make sure to fill out the stubs with all the information that is asked. No money is due if you are receiving tickets. Please check your folders and contact the office with any questions. Included with your raffle tickets is a coupon for a free hotdog for each student, compliments of DogStop restaurant.

☑ **Dismissal Procedures:** Afternoon pick up is now in the parking lot. Please see back of this newsletter for more detailed information.

☑ **ASPIRE Scores:** Last year's ASPIRE score results will be sent home next week with students that took the ASPIRE test here.

☑ **Uniforms:** Please remember to wear your appropriate uniforms to school. Since this is a transition year, either uniforms previously owned or the new Dennis Uniforms are acceptable. Pants need to be "uniform style" navy pants Skinny jeans and leggings are NOT acceptable, and will result in being written up for being out of uniform. A copy of the uniform code is being sent home today, please look for it in your folder.

☑ **Opening School Mass:** Our first School Mass of the year will be next Friday, August 30, at 8:15AM. All are welcome to attend.

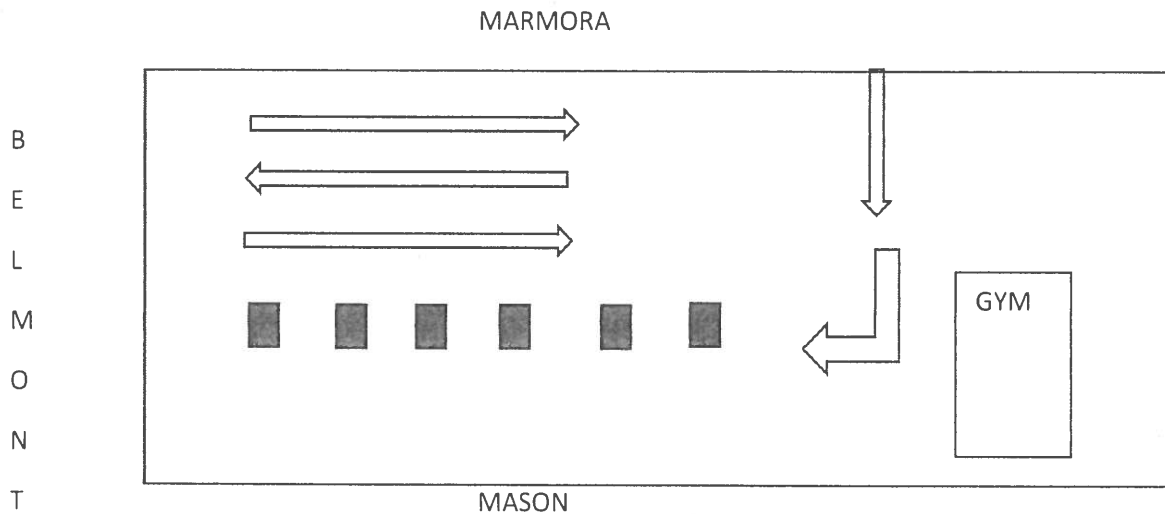
ATTENTION!

Although **MORNING DROP-OFF** will remain the same, with students exiting cars via a quick drop-off and entering at the Canning/Heeney Hall Entrance off of Mason...

THERE WILL BE A CHANGE IN THE AFTER-SCHOOL PICK-UP PROCEDURE FOR THOSE NOT ATTENDING AFTER-SCHOOL CARE AND LEAVING SCHOOL AT 3:00!

After-school pick-up will now be in the back parking lot following this procedure:

1. About 10 minutes before dismissal (11:15ish on the first day, 2:35ish thereafter, the back parking lot GATE on the MARMORA SIDE of the back parking lot will be opened.
2. Cars will be flagged/directed to line up in north-south-facing rows by the flagger:



3. Once parked, parents of Pre-K through 3rd graders should get out of their cars and head toward the area where teachers' cars are parked – the northeast corner of the parking lot – to meet their children. Parents of 4th-8th graders can head toward the southeast corner of the lot and wait for their children there.
4. Pre-K-3rd graders will be escorted down to the gym by their teachers and dismissed from the EAST BACK GYM DOOR (closest to Marmora) when parents/guardians/rides home are visible; 4th-8th graders will be dismissed out the WEST BACK GYM DOOR (closest to Mason). Children not picked up will be escorted back to the office, where parents will be notified and daycare costs begin to accrue.
5. **Once all persons are back in their cars**, flagger will unlock Mason gate and direct rows of cars to be dismissed in a back-and-forth manner out to Mason, in a manner similar to how cars were let in.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION AND PATIENCE AS EVERYONE GETS USED TO THIS NEW, SAFE DISMISSAL PROCEDURE FOR OUR STUDENTS THAT DOES NOT BLOCK TRAFFIC ON MASON AND ANGER NEIGHBORS! 😊

Parent Volunteers needed to help with this – earn your SERVICE HOURS with in just minutes a day if you're here to pick up anyway! Please contact Principal Folino if you would like to assist with this.