

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER from MR. KELLY

### September 15, 2023



Greetings QCA Families:

We had our *Welcome Back Assembly* for students and teachers on Tuesday morning. It was wonderful to gather together in the gym - to reunite the QCA Family and to welcome many new students and 5 new teachers. During the assembly we talked about the uniqueness of our school and the sense of common purpose, teamwork, and high standards we aspire to. We coined a new phrase that everyone is excited to get behind... **"THE QCA WAY"**. At its core, this theme bonds us, unites us and offers us a standard of expectation that raises the bar for every person in the community – students, teachers, staff and families. What I loved most, was that the students' list of qualities very much matched the teachers' list, proving that we are all striving for the same level of excellence. I will share more about **The QCA Way** as the year unfolds, but at its core, here are some of the highlights.

What impressed me most was the depth of thoughtful answers to the question, "What does Respect or Empathy or Perseverance actually look like at QCA"? Our students, YOUR children, understand what it means to live a life of integrity and more importantly, they desire to live that way .... **The QCA WAY!**

I hope to see many of you this Thursday Night, September 21<sup>st</sup> at our **Back-To-School Night** event beginning at 6:00 pm in the gym. This is a wonderful kick-off for the year and a chance to learn more about the school goals for the year, the volunteer opportunities, and most, importantly, to meet your child's teachers. See the schedule below for more details and thank you for making the effort to join us. Your support and partnership complete the circle of school success – We're all in this together.

God bless,  
**Mr. Kelly**

#### REMINDERS:

- Please Return **Emergency Forms** to Office by Monday, September 18<sup>th</sup>
- Please sign and return the **Statement of Support Form** (a hard copy was sent home with the children) indicating your permission for Photo Use and understanding of Handbook Policies. The 2023-2024 Handbook can be accessed through this link.

<http://www.quincycatholicacademy.org/parents/school-policies-forms/>

#### INSTANT ALERT TEST

We will be sending out another Instant Alert "test" today at 2:00 (Friday) to make sure you are able to receive future Alert Messages. If you do NOT receive the Text Alert, please let us know. It could be that we have the wrong cell phone number(s) in our system. Contact the main office and we will assist you.

### BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT SCHEDULE

- 5:30 Grade 8 Parents in Music Room (on 1<sup>st</sup> floor)
- 6:00 General Meeting in Gym with Mr. Kelly
- 6:30-6:50 Session One – classroom visits (MS meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> floor)
- 6:50 Change classes (if you have another class to visit)
- 6:55-7:15 Session Two
- 7:15 Wrap Up  
*(Used Uniform Sale in gym)*

**BASKETBALL** - QCA is excited to once again participate in the South Shore Parochial Basketball League. The number and make-up of the teams we will run will depend on the level of interest as well as coaching staff. We have the potential for Boys and Girls Teams in grades 7/8, 5/6 and possibly 3 and 4. Please see the Information, Registration and Medical forms related to the Basketball Program. Hard copies were sent home to students in grades 3-8)



**CLUBS** – QCA will be offering (6) week CLUBS in a variety of activities starting in October. Please look for more details in next week's Newsletter. The cost will be \$50 per club for the 6 weeks. Stay tuned for more details and registration forms.

### **FUNDRAISING:**

All families signed a financial commitment paper. If you signed up for fundraising, our first fundraising project has already begun. **Meadow Farms** order forms were distributed last week. Only families who signed up for the fundraising option will receive a package (1 per family), but any family is welcome to participate. Just let us know if you would like a package!

Please note that **50% of order total from Meadow Farms is credited to a family's fundraising commitment.** **All orders are due by Thursday, September 21st**

## **Family School Association Welcome Letter**

Hello from the QCA **Family School Association** QCA FSA formally the Parent Association. While our goals are the same, we are rebranding our name to include Family because family can be made up in different ways and come in all shapes, sizes.

Briefly about the FSA: We are volunteer based that provide actives of fun and enrichment to our students and staff throughout the year. We are very much in need of volunteers for all activities

to function. Volunteering can come in many forms from simple all the way complete involvement if you so choose, but always with support.

More will be talked about on back to school night this coming Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>

**Current Activities on books we need volunteers for are:**

*\*Halloween Dance and Party (October)*

*\*Comedy Night (November)*

*\*Secret Santa and Craft Fair (December)*

My name is Kristin Breen. I currently have 2 children at the school and have been a volunteer parent for the past 8 yrs.

Catherine Quinn is also a Volunteer parent for the past 4 years, with 2 children in QCA as well. We are happy to connect and answer any questions you may have about our group.

Please Join us on Facebook @ QCA Family School Association Page (FSA) this page will be private to our community to maintain safety for our families so please answer the security questions asked to become a member. Our new email is: [qcafsa370@gmail.com](mailto:qcafsa370@gmail.com)

Feel free to email us with any questions you may have. We are looking forward to a great year. Have a great weekend and see you next week!

***The FSA***



**Attachments:**

- October Lunch Form
- Basketball Forms – Information, Registration, Emergency Forms
- Statement of Support Form