

MR. KELLY'S FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

May 17, 2024



Dear QCA Families:

As I write this Newsletter, our students are jumping away in a bouncy house, racing through a blow-up obstacle course and rotating through games and races at Cavanaugh Field down the street. Field Day at QCA is always a favorite for the kids and a sign that the end of the year is close! The weather could not have been more perfect... God is good! Special thanks to Mrs. Shannen Dunn, our amazing PE teacher, for organizing the events of the day, to the FSA who always sprinkles every event with magical extras and to the teachers who always roll up their sleeves to make it all happen! It's a true TEAM effort!

Last Saturday, several of our second graders were blessed by taking the next sacramental step in their faith journey through their First Holy Communion. For me, no matter how many times I've witnessed this occasion, I am always moved. We should never underestimate the significance of this event in the lives of our young children. They are so open to the mystery of welcoming and receiving Jesus into their lives through the Eucharist. In their innocence and simple faith, they are able remind *us* of the profound privilege of be nourished by the love of Jesus each time we receive. Many thanks for our second grade teacher, Mrs. McGrath, for her loving guidance in preparing her students. The children are on fire with God's presence. Let's pray they never lose the flame.

Finally, thank you to the many Parent Volunteers who helped to make today's Field Day the best Field Day ever! We couldn't have pulled it off without you and it was such a thrill to share the day with you. Let's keep building our Volunteer pool, the QCA Way! Have a great weekend.

God bless,
Mr. Kelly

Here are a few important reminders and updates:

- Our annual **MAY PROCESSION** has been rescheduled for Friday, May 24th at 1:00 (weather permitting). Beginning in the GYM, grades Pre-K through 8 will process outside

to pay honor to Mary at the various statues around the property, concluding with a grand “crowning” in the church. All are welcome to join us!!

- The annual **Talent Show** will be held on Thursday, May 30th at 1:00 in the GYM. Over 25 acts will be presented by our talented students... singing, dancing, instruments, taekwondo, magic and more... All are welcome to join us!
- The future of QCA is strong. However, we are always looking to increase our numbers and welcome new families and students to this amazing community. To many, QCA is a hidden gem – but one that needs to be shared! With that in mind, I ask you to be part of spreading the good news about QCA. Word of mouth is by far the most impactful form of advertising.

And remember: If you know of a child who would be a great match for our school, we encourage you to recommend them to apply. If they do register and attend QCA, through your direct referral, we will offer you at **\$500 Incentive**, off of your own tuition. To learn more about this, contact Mr. Kelly or the main office and more importantly – spread the word and let’s continue to build our school with more students and families.

EARLY RELEASE DATES:

- **Friday, May 31st** will be an Early Dismissal Day so that teachers can continue to work on the Accreditation Professional Development. 11:15 for PreK-K1 and 11:30 for K2-8.
- **Friday, June 7** will also be an Early Dismissal date, as previously schedule.
- **Wednesday, June 12** – Last day of School 11:30 Dismissal (No Extended Day Program today)

And finally.... A quick glance at the FINAL WEEKS of SCHOOL



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| • Tuesday, May 21 | Honors Band performs at Faneuil Hall 11:00-1:00 |
| • Thursday, May 23 | Field Trip: Grades 1 and 2 ~ NE Aquarium |
| • Friday, May 24 | May Procession at 1:00 |
| • Monday, May 27 | NO SCHOOL |
| • Tuesday, May 28 | Band Concert at school – 1:15 |
| • Thursday, May 30 | Field Trip: PreK and K1 ~ Franklin Park Zoo |
| • Thursday, May 30 | Talent Show at 1:00 |

- Friday, May 31 Early Dismissal/NEASC Workshop for teachers
- Friday, May 31 NWEA Testing Ends
- Monday, June 3 Last FULL day of classes for grade 8
- Wednesday, June 5 Term 3 Ends/Marks Close
- Wed., June 5 **Class Night** for Grade 8 ~ 6:00-7:30
- Friday, June 7 11:30 Dismissal/Faculty Meeting - Extended Day until 2:30
- Friday, June 7 Grade 8 **Graduation** & Prayer Service 6:00 pm
- Monday, June 10 **Flag Day** Assembly at 9:00 am
- Tuesday, June 11 **K2 Graduation at 8:30**
- **PreK Graduation at 10:00**
- **K1 Graduation at 11:30**

- Wednesday, June 12 **Last Day of School** – 11:30 Dismissal ☺
No Extended Day Program today