

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER from MR. KELLY October 4, 2024



Greetings QCA Families:

At its best, a school creates an environment that is buzzing with the desire and the excitement for learning. Ideally, a school sees itself as a community of learners whereby students learn from teachers, teachers learn from students and students learn from other students. When the learning process is experienced in a positive, relevant way, the academic challenges become not only achievable, but also enticing. Successful teachers need to have a love for learning that drives them to continually develop their own craft and to constantly reinvent themselves. Ultimately, when invested from the heart, they will pass that passion on to their students.

In the real world, this kind of learning does not occur around the clock. In fact, there is a time and place in the academic arena where drill and practice are a necessary component and where quiet reflection brings about more thoughtful learning.

However, we, as a school, do believe in the experience of learning and we try to create an environment that promotes such an engagement. I often walk into classrooms where children are working together like inquisitive scientists; I've overheard lively discussions about fantasy novels versus science fiction; and I've observed countless educational songs and dances as our youngest students interact with their own learning and each other. Indeed, a simple stroll through the halls at QCA offers a glimpse into the education adventure at its best!

We are blessed to be part of a school that buzzes with the joy of learning invites children to become life-long learners. May the adventure continue throughout the year!

God bless,
Mr. Kelly

Saturday, October 5 QCA **CAR WASH** from 10:00-2:00.

Proceed benefit the Grade 8 Washington DC TRIP

~ QCA School Yard ~



LOOKING AHEAD

- Monday, October 7 1:00 Mass – grade 7 host ALL ARE WELCOME!
- Tuesday, October 8 Board Meeting
- Friday, October 11 Last day of NWEA Testing
- Friday, October 11 Dress Down Day
Theme: Pink ~ Support Breast
Cancer Awareness ~ \$1.00 donation
- Monday, October 14 No School – Columbus Day
- **Wednesday, October 16 NEASC Foundation Day TEAM VISIT ALL DAY**
- Friday, October 18 Picture Day – All School
Lifetouch Packets will be sent home next week.... Be on the lookout!

Progress Reports distributed to students

Halloween Party 6:30-8:30

CLUBS START THIS WEEK – 2:30-3:30

Mondays	Dance Club
Wednesdays	Spooky Scientists and Taylor Swift Club
Thursdays	Lego Club; Jewelry Making Club; Reader's Theatre; Flag Football; Art Club
Friday	Yoga Club and Basketball Clinic (BB Clinic runs from 3:30-4:30)

IMPORTANT DATE UPDATE – Mark Your Calendars!!

Friday, November 1 (All Saints Day) – This will be a **FULL DAY** of school
(even though it is technically the 1st Friday of the month)

Students in grades 1-8 will attend Mass at 12:00
Dismissal at 2:15

Extended Day Program ends at 6:00 pm

Friday, November 8 – This will be a **NO SCHOOL DAY** for Students.
The teachers will have a full day of NEASC Professional Development

BASKETBALL COACH

WE NEED YOU!!!

We are looking for someone to coach Grade 3 & 4 Boys Basketball Team. If interested, please contact Mr. Kelly right away!!



STUDENT COUNCIL

We are excited to announce QCA's newly elected STUDENT COUNCIL members. We are so proud of ALL the students in grades 5-8 who ran for a position in our Student Council. We are excited to offer these leadership opportunities and give the students an enthusiastic "VOICE". Congratulations to the following elected officials!!

President	Monste Alfaro
Vice President	Vera Killorin
Secretary	Helina Adugna

Class Representativess

Grade 8	Christina Delaney Keaton Huynh
Grade 7	Lilly Cheang Gary Li Kayla Kwan
Grade 6	Ava Ngo Autumn Chan Anthony S.
Grade 5 (P)	Elaine Guo CC Castendada
Grade 5 (M)	Juliana Amaris Umba Evelyn Le

ATTACHMENTS:

- Halloween Party
- Christmas Craft Fair
- October Calendar
- FSA September Flier
- Calling All Crafters

