# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER from MR. KELLY September 20, 2024



# **Greetings QCA Families:**

It was wonderful to see so many of you at last night's **Back-To-School Night** event. Thank you for making the effort to join us. For those who were not able to, I look forward to seeing you in the weeks ahead. In my remarks last night, I mentioned that we are all here for the same reason ... to raise loving, responsible, well-educated children. The fact that you have chosen QCA already communicates to us your commitment and desire to have your children learn in a place that is both academically sound and spiritually rich. We are honored to be part of their lives and we feel bonded to you because of our mutual dedication and love for your children.

You, as parents, have many other options for your children's education, but you've chosen QCA. We would confirm that this is an excellent decision! The reality is, it's a tough and scary world out there and it's hard to be a child in this society with so many pressures, expectations, social media influences.

But, in the midst of all life's complications, a Catholic Education offers something stable, something permanent, something to cling to... centered in our faith.

Research clearly shows that, among many other bonuses, Catholic Schools offer children some very significant advantages over other types of schools.

- the gift of a love for learning
- the gift of high expectations
- the gift of challenge
- the gift of understanding that it is important to struggle and have the GRIT to persevere
- the gift of responsibility and self-motivation
- the gift of faith and a higher purpose in their lives

More than ever, Catholic Schools provide not just an alternative, but an advantage...an advantage for life. We are forming young people of integrity, teaching to the WHOLE PERSON... the QCA Way!

May we continue to work together to build up this great school community to ensure that we are indeed providing our children with "an advantage for life"!

God bless,

Mr. Kelly

# **THANK YOU for your Incredible GENEROSITY**

On behalf of the Hsu Family, I want to thank everyone for your extraordinary gestures of love and support during this challenging time. Our collective efforts allow us to offer thousands of dollars in

support to the family... proof, once again, of the amazing community we are blessed to be part of at QCA. Thank you and God Bless.

### **FSA VOLUNTEERS:**

A huge THANK YOU to Mrs. Breen and Mrs. Quinn for spear-heading our FSA (Family School Association) efforts. As Mrs. Breen mentioned last night, NOW, more than ever, we NEED YOUR HELP to participate as volunteer members of the FSA. Without your hands-on support, we simply will not be able to provide the many amazing enrichment programs and activities for our students. It is truly a TEAM effort. So, please consider the ways you can help. Fill out the FSA Volunteer form and thank you for stepping up and being part of the action!!

There are countless ways you can help and become engaged in the events and activities sponsored by the FSA. Thank you, in advance, for your participation and support. For now....

#### Mark your calendars:

- Saturday, September 28 Italian Dinner Night
- Friday, October 18 Halloween Party
- Saturday, November 2 Craft Fair
- December 11,12,13 Santa's Workshop/Christmas Bazaar

#### **EXTENDED DAY REMINDERS**

Welcome Back! The first week went very well. Students are adapting to the program and getting used to the routine. Thank you for your patience. We try to get the students to the gym or outside daily. To be consistent, we ask that parents check in at the bottom of the ramp for pick up. A staff member will sign you out and either direct you to the playground or get your student/s for you. If you have not yet registered for Extended Day please do so as soon as possible. This does not carry over from last year or the Summer Program. A link for registration can be found on the QCA home page. Thank you again! -*Tracy Rixham*, *Director of Extended Day Program* 

<u>BASKETBALL</u> is coming back – QCA will once again participate in the Parochial Basketball League. The number of teams we run will depend on the level of interest as well as coaching staff. Please return the Registration form by Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>. If any adult would be interested in COACHING (Boys and/or Girls), please let Mr. Kelly know ... THANK YOU!!



<u>CLUBS</u> – QCA will be offering (6) week Fall Session CLUBS in a variety of activities starting October 7th. A list of CLUB offerings and registration is attached (and hard copies also went home) The cost will be \$72 per club for the 6 weeks. Check out the options and join the fun opportunities! Most of these CLUBS are geared towards younger students through grade 6, but more CLUBS will be offered in the Winter and Spring Sessions.

# **FUNDRAISING:**

Our Meadow Farms Fundraiser is wrapping up soon! Thank you for your support of this fundraising effort. 

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 26th

<u>AHERA NOTIFCATION</u>: We are required by law to post a *Adhera Notification Notice* for all parents, to share our Asbestos Management Plan. QCA is in great shape regarding the Asbestos Protocols and in full compliance with Federal guidelines and expectations. Thank you.

#### **Attachments:**

- Fall Club Registration Forms
- Trunk or Treat Flier
- Renweb Parent Portal Sign-Up Instructions
- Italian Night Flier and Sign-Up Form