



Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School
The Catholic School in Center Moriches

2 St. John Place + Center Moriches, NY 11934 + 631.878.1033 + www.olqany.org

August 23, 2023

Dear Our Lady Queen of Apostles School Families,

I hope the summer is going well with a lot of time spent with your family while also working on keeping your minds, hearts, and spirits focused in preparation for a great year ahead. It is hard to believe it is already the end of August, and school is starting in two weeks. The summer is flying by! We have been busy at the school preparing for the 2023-2024 school year, and we look forward to seeing everyone soon.

I want to let you know about some things happening at OLQA in the weeks ahead. The faculty, staff, and I are excited about all the beautiful experiences and events the new school year will bring. The first official day of school for all students in grades K-8 is Wednesday, September 6, 2023, and Pre-K 3 & 4 will begin Monday, September 11, 2023. Please know that we all have the same goal: Creating a safe and happy learning environment for your child/children both academically and spiritually.

New Faculty. I am very excited to welcome the newest faculty members to the OLQA team and wish Mrs. Ginty, Mrs. Carroll, and Mrs. Noens the best in their new endeavors, and are so thankful for their time spent at OLQA. Please join me in welcoming our new faculty here at OLQA:

- **Mrs. Julie Rosenkranz**- 4th Grade Teacher
- **Ms. Alexandra O'Neill**- School Counselor

Reminders.

- Wednesday, August 30, 2023- K-8th grade Book & Supply Drop off/ Locker set up 3- 5 PM. If you cannot make book drop-off, please send in a few books each day with your child the first week of school.
- Wednesday, September 6, 2023- 11:30 dismissal- Happy First Day of School!!!
- Wednesday, September 6, 2023- Pre-K parent orientation and supply drop off at 4:00 PM
- Thursday, September 7, 2023- 11:30 dismissal
- Friday, September 8, 2023- Full day of school- **9:00 AM Opening School Mass with the 8th Grade pin ceremony (Families welcome to attend)**
- Wednesday, September 13, 2023- K-8th Grade Meet the Teacher Night- 6:00 PM in the auditorium
- Hot lunch does not begin **until September 18th**. Please send in a brown bag lunch until then.

Procedures.

- We will continue using Pickup Patrol instead of paper notes for dismissal changes this year. Pickup Patrol can be used on both a computer and your phone. If you are picking up your child from school or have to change the way your child goes home, you must enter the change in Pickup Patrol by 10:30 AM each day. Paper notes for dismissal will not be



Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School
The Catholic School in Center Moriches

2 St. John Place + Center Moriches, NY 11934 + 631.878.1033 + www.olqany.org

accepted. Information on registering your family on Pickup Patrol will be sent via email soon.

- All students should arrive at school through the back parking lot. Both buses and cars will drop off students here. The gates to the parking lot and rear doors to the school will close at 7:53.
- Please enter the parking lot through the entrance closest to the convent, drive towards the red barn, and around to the entry doors. **Please do not get out of your car. This is a “kiss and go” drop-off. Faculty and staff will be there to help your child if they need any assistance getting out of the car.**
- At dismissal time, all parents who pick up their child/children must park in the St. John’s Church parking lot and walk to the main entrance. **Parking on St. John’s Place is not permitted.**

Sincerely,

Mrs. Dawn Waller
Principal

Our Lady Queen of Apostles, pray for us + St. John the Evangelist, pray for us +
St. Peter and St. Paul, pray for us + St. Jude, pray for us + All Holy Men and Women, pray for us