



Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School
The Catholic School in Center Moriches
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September 15, 2023

Dear Our Lady Queen of Apostles School Families,

We are having some exciting days here at OLQA! The students in the Mission had their beginning of the year retreat today. It was a great day filled with faith and friendship.



This week, the 8th graders were fortunate to meet three members of our local Knight of Columbus. All 8th-grade students were taught the proper way to raise, lower, and fold the American flag. This will become one of the 8th-grade responsibilities throughout the year. (All 8th-grade families should keep an eye out for a class of 2024 parent meeting letter later next week.)



School Safety. The beginning of the year always finds us reviewing and practicing our safety and emergency drills. We will begin our fire drills next week. Please reinforce with your children the importance of these drills.

Custodial Issues. The school must have all legal paperwork related to custody issues, orders of protection, child pick up, etc. on file. This paperwork should be sent to Mrs. Waller's attention as quickly as possible and will only be shared, when necessary, with our school counselor.

Additionally, if there is a non-custodial parent who should be receiving mailings, information, etc., please inform Mrs. Halversen as soon as possible.

Student Services/Discipline. I want to remind you about a few things related to discipline. Cell phones, Apple watches, or any type of smartwatch are not permitted to be used during the school day. I ask parents to support this. If there is an emergency, you may always contact the school office. If your child needs to reach out to you for an important reason, he/she may come to my office or the front office. Students may charge their cell phones during the day in my office. (They need to bring their own charging wire.)

End of Day Pick-up. During the end of the day pick up all parents (grades Pre-k -8th) must park in the parking lot of St. John's Church. No parents are permitted to park on St. John's Place, no matter the weather.

Lunch. Our lunch program begins Monday. Please send in a brown bag lunch for the week if you did not pre-order. Please remember orders must be submitted by Wednesday night for the following week. Please make sure you check your receipt.

School Finances. Please remember that while paying with a credit card for tuition and any financial fees, there is a \$10.00 surcharge that will be applied to the cost for each invoiced item. Please keep this in mind when making your payments.

Apologies. I am sorry if I miscommunicated at Meet the Teacher Night regarding the prayer garden on the side of the school. Families are more than welcome to gather in the prayer garden on the side of the school with their children after school, if they would like, to spend time together. We just ask that you please keep the children out of the flower beds, any raised gardens (both in the front of the school and prayer garden), and out of the trees for safety reasons.

Please continue to keep Anthony Stinson and his family in your prayers. Services for Anthony are as follows:

Wake Services:

Robertaccio Funeral Home- Center Moriches
Sunday, September 17th 1-4 PM and 6-8 PM

Funeral Mass:

St. John the Evangelist Church, Center Moriches
Monday, September 18th 10:45 AM

Sincerely,



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