

August 30, 2023

Back to School - Part #2

Dear Mater Dei Parents,
Good morning! The Mater Dei Catholic School bell is about to ring, so we want to keep you updated with the Back to School Issue #2!

We want to express our sincere gratitude to the Faculty and Staff of Mater Dei for the hours they are spending preparing our school and classrooms for the arrival of your children. Everything is shaping up as we count the days to the beginning of a new year.

Welcome Postcards



Each Mater Dei Catholic School student will receive a postcard from their homeroom teacher by the end of the week. We will mail the postcards on **Wednesday, August 30, 2023**. Be sure to check your mailboxes.

2023 If you did not receive it, please email info@materdeicatholic.com to let us know. Mrs. Rosemary O'Tormey will be sure you are included in our distribution list for Constant Contact. In the meantime, we posted the **Back to School Issue # 1** on the Mater Dei Catholic website at: <https://www.materdeicatholic.com/about-us/principals-message> Please be sure to read this communication so that you know about what is happening at MD and will help prepare your family for a smooth Back to School experience.



Welcome Faculty

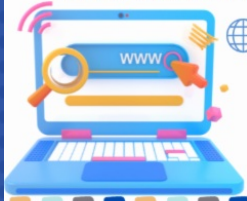


Since we sent the first issue of **Back to School**, there have been some changes to our faculty due to the resignation of two newly hired teachers. We are pleased to welcome some familiar faces who will be taking on new roles at Mater Dei. **Miss Linda Brown** will be joining the seventh and eighth-grade team. Miss Brown will have a seventh-grade homeroom. She is extremely excited to return to seventh grade again for the 2023-2024 school year. Miss Brown brings much experience to this position, but more importantly, she brings a love for the children of Mater Dei Catholic that is beyond compare.

Miss Mackenzie Corkery will rejoin the Pre K team as a Pre K 3 teacher. Miss Corkery taught Pre K before she taught art here at Mater Dei. She is happy to return to her Pre K roots in the same classroom where she began her teaching career. Miss Corkery loved her years in Pre K and is anxious to meet her new Pre K 3 friends.

Mrs. Nyki Beuke is the new Mater Dei Physical Education teacher. Mrs. Beuke is a graduate of Temple University and the current coach of the Lansdale Catholic Girls' Soccer Team. Mrs. Beuke is enthusiastic about her new position here at Mater Dei. She has an excellent rapport with students of all ages. We are happy to welcome Mrs. Beuke to Mater Dei as a full-time faculty member.

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Parent and Student Handbook

Mater Dei Matters

2023-2024 School year Calendar

The Handbook, Mater Dei Matters, and the 2023-2024 Calendar are on the Mater Dei website. These documents are posted for your review. Once you review the information, please sign and submit the Handbook and Authorization Agreement Form which can be found

here: <https://www.materdeicatholic.com/parents/handbook-and-reports>.

The Family Emergency Form is located on the homepage of the Mater Dei website, www.materdeicatholic.com. Please fill out the information and submit the form. The **Family Emergency Form** is due tomorrow, **Wednesday, August 30, 2023**. If you submit the **Family Emergency Form**, **your child may come to school on their first day. For safety purposes, students may not come to school unless the Family Emergency Form is on file.**



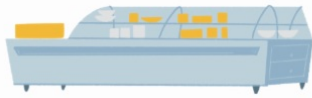
Open House

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

We invite all families from Pre K through Grade 8 to Open House.

Open House Hours: 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

The Home and School Association will provide refreshments. Look for hospitality in the schoolyard. All parents are asked to park in Church parking lot for the Open House.



Hot Lunch

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The Hot Lunch Program will begin on Thursday, September 7. The cost is \$4.50, billed to your FACTS Tuition account. We will send details about ordering lunch in a dedicated email.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

Schedule



Please see all information about Back School Night in the **Back to School Issue #1** found on the Mater Dei website. The school calendar lists all dates and times.



MATER DEI CATHOLIC SCHOOL Job Opportunities

Mater Dei is seeking additional aides for our Pre K Program. We are also looking for a parent or parents to serve the hot lunch. If you are interested in learning more about these positions, please get in touch with Miss McCaughan.

Big News!



PreK 3 Uniforms

MATER DEI CATHOLIC SCHOOL PreK Students Uniforms



PreK 4 Uniforms

Additional T-shirts and sweatshirts will be on sale in the gym at **Open House on Wednesday, September 6**. We did

have 3T and 4T T-shirts and sweatshirts. If you bought a shirt at the **Meet the Bears** event and need to exchange it for size, please bring it with you, and we will exchange it for the size you need.



We are incredibly grateful to the students who came out last week to help distribute new books to classrooms. Students from the Class of 2023, 2024, and 2025 answered our call for help. The kids did a fantastic job in a short time, leaving time to enjoy some donuts and play basketball in the gym. You are the best!

On Monday evening, our fantastic students showed up to help with our Pre K event, **Meet the Bears**. We are so grateful to the number of kids who volunteered to help, and we are thankful to the many parents who came with them to give us a hand. It was a great night, and we could not have done it without you!

Have a fantastic Labor Day weekend! May God bless our Mater Dei family with many blessings and keep you safe this holiday weekend. See you next week!

With sincere gratitude,

Miss McCaughan and Miss Waltrich



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