



MONDAY MESSAGES

May 6, 2024

LUNCH

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IMPORTANT DATES

- Tuesday, May 7 - PTO Meeting, in the library after drop-off
- Thursday, May 9 - Ascension Thursday Mass, 9a in the Chapel
- Friday, May 10 - Morning prayer - 7:15a in the Chapel
- Friday, May 10 - 5th Grade Class Trip to Boston
- **Monday, May 13 - HALF DAY OF SCHOOL - 11:30A DISMISSAL**
- Tuesday, May 14 - Intermediate Poetry Slam - 3:15p in the Art Room
- Friday, May 17 - 8th Grade Class Trip to Montreal
- Thursday, May 23 - Band/Chorus Concert - 6:30p
- **Monday, May 27 - NO SCHOOL, MEMORIAL DAY**

CONGRATULATIONS TO HILDENE ESSAY CONTEST PARTICIPANTS

We would like to congratulate our Hildene Essay contest participants. Each year, 8th graders write an essay aligned with President Abraham Lincoln's values. This year, the Lincoln Family organization of Hildene, asked students to consider if the benefits of Artificial Intelligence outweigh the risks in a particular field that interests them.

The following students were recognized as essay finalists: Audrey Morris, who wrote about AI assisted surgery, Savannah Nelson, who wrote about AI in elder care, and Luke Sanders, who wrote about AI in sports.

Hanna Schold is an essay winner! Hanna received second place for her essay on AI in music. Hanna will be honored at a luncheon later this month and will receive prize money along with her award.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SPRING BOOK FAIR, MAY 20-24

The spring book fair is approaching and we need volunteers to set-up, sell, and clean-up. The book fair is the week of May 20th -24th from 7:30-4:00 in the Elementary School Lobby. This is an in-person book fair through [Paper Pie](#), a US division of Usborne Books.

Any questions, please email king@materchristischool.net

Sign-up to Volunteer: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848A9AC2BA4F4C25-49444427-mcspaper>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FIELD DAY, MAY 31

Dear Parents and Mater Christi School Community-

As the school year starts to wind down, Ms. Donlon and I are preparing for this year's field day on the morning of May 31st. We could not be more excited to celebrate the warm weather and the coming of summer with the whole school playing some fun games. To make field day the great success we are hoping for, **we are in need of**

approximately 32 parent volunteers. Volunteers will run one of the game stations, request additional supplies for the station when necessary, and encourage all children to participate. Each team will have two MCS staff leaders who will monitor student behavior, ensure the team is traveling to the right stations and working together so that the parent volunteers can focus on running the activity at their station.

If you're interested and able to help from 8:00-11:30 on May 31st please email Myerkes@marterchristischool.net and we can get you more information. Thank you so much for your consideration and support!

NEWS FROM THE PTO

Join us for our monthly PTO meeting on Tuesday, 5/7 after drop off. See zoom link for a remote option:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2699183488?pwd=YUZ4L1VCNXk3aFlqa1pHZVg5SzZxZz09>

Join us in welcoming Nicole Farley and Meghan Forsyth to the PTO leadership team! They will be serving as Co-Vice Presidents for the 2024-25 school year.

EXCITING SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITY AT FOREST LAKE CAMP

Dear Mater Christi Families, Faculty and Staff,

We are excited to share a special opportunity for our students and the children of our faculty. Thanks to the generosity of a MC Alumnae, we have the chance to offer two of our children/students a substantial grant to attend Forest Lake Summer Camp in the Adirondacks this summer.

Forest Lake Camp is a traditional Brother-Sister camp located on 823 private acres in the Adirondacks with a 23 acre private lake and miles upon miles of hiking and biking trails. Offering sports, arts, wilderness, high ropes course and over 50 other activities, FLC has been developing children for 98 years and is where our 8th graders have attended an end of year celebration in years past. Mater Christi has been offered two \$5000 grants for two of our students/children to attend 3-weeks of overnight summer camp. The session, running from July 27th through August 16th, will be available at the reduced rate of \$1,645 per child—after the \$5,000 grant per camper is taken into account. This three-week experience includes a variety of activities like hiking, canoeing, crafts, science, whitewater rafting, mountain biking, and more, all conducted in a supportive and enriching environment.

This opportunity is limited to two children aged 8-15 so please express your interest as soon as possible. For more information about FLC please visit www.forestlakecamp.com. To apply for this grant, which is not at all financially based, please contact Tyler Gardner, Executive Director, at tyler@forestlakecamp.com or by calling (802) 999-6189.

We believe this is a wonderful opportunity for our children/students to enjoy a memorable summer filled with fun and adventure.

Best regards,

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