



MONDAY MESSAGES

Monday 23, 2026

LUNCH Menu:

Monday 3/23 Chicken Quesadillas with guacamole, sour cream, salsa & tortilla chips.

Tuesday 3/24 Meatloaf with hand smashed potatoes & green beans.

Wednesday 3/25 Chicken Noodle soup & dinner roll. (DF)

Thursday 3/26 MLB Opening Day - Chili Dogs & Fries

Friday 3/27 Tuna melts with pretzels

IMPORTANT DATES:

Tues-Thurs, March 24-26: The PTO will sponsor a uniform swap on the stage in the elementary building on March 24-26 during school hours.

Friday, March 27th: Prayer will take place in the chapel beginning at 7:15 a.m. this morning. All are welcome to attend.

MCS ANNUAL FUND: ANCHORING HOPE

Help us reach our goal! A special Mater Christi School family will contribute \$100 for each current MCS family that supports our annual fund with a gift of any amount. If Mater Christi School meets or surpasses 100 current family donors, this family will make an additional \$15,000 gift to our 2025-26 annual fund! Many thanks to the 62 families who have already given! See [the attached flyer](#) for details, and [click here to donate](#).

MCS SPORTS REMINDERS

Spring Sports at MCS

Here is a list of the sports opportunities that will be offered this Spring. For many of these activities, registration has not opened yet and schedules and other logistics are still being worked out. More information about each of the following sports will be emailed out within the next couple of weeks. Please watch for more information.

Girls on the Run - running group for 3rd-5th grade girls will be meeting on Mondays and Thursdays. **Registration is required.** If you are not registered please reach out to Mrs. Donlon to see if there is still space available. The first meeting will be Monday 3/16.

Baseball - for students in grades 5-8. Practices will begin 4/27. Practices will be held at Centennial Field (usually on Tuesdays except during that first week of the season) from 3:15-4:30. Most games will be on Mondays and Fridays. More information will be coming out soon.

Mini Miler Running Club - running group for boys and girls in K-4. The group will meet once a week on either Tuesdays or Fridays (still TBD) from 3:00-4:00. **Assistant coaches are needed.** The date of the first meeting will be in mid to late April but is still TBD.

Track and Field - Middle school team for 5th-8th graders. Practices will be held at the UVM track 1-2 days per week (dates for practices are TBD). Students meet in front of MCS at 3:15 and run to the track together as a warm up for the practice which will begin at the track at 3:30. Practice will end between 4:30 and 4:45 (TBD). Meets will be on Mondays (with one exception on a Wednesday).

Assistant coaches needed.

Boys Lacrosse - programs will be offered for 1st-6th grade boys. Practice dates, times, and locations are still TBD but will likely begin the week of April 13th. All games are on weekends.

5/6 team - **Assistant coach needed**

3/4 team - **Assistant coach needed**

1/2 learn-to-play program - will probably run one day a week with practices at MCS and no games

Girls Lacrosse? - there is a possibility of a learn-to-play program for 4th-8th graders that will run 1 day per week with no games. This depends on the number of players interested and many details for this are TBD. If you are interested please notify Mrs. Donlon asap.

MINI MILERS

RunVermont's Mini Milers program will take place at MCS on Fridays from April 10 through May 22, after school until 4:00 PM, and is open to students in kindergarten through 3rd grade.

Please register here: <https://runsignup.com/Race/VT/Burlington/ReadySetRunMiniMilers>

(Scroll down to find the Mater Christi School link.)

Questions or Interested in Volunteering? Contact Courtenay Baker at cdbaker0815@gmail.com.

GOTR

Girls on the Run will continue this week with practices on Mondays and Thursdays through May 28.

Email Maria Arnold

mariagarnold@gmail.com with any questions.

MCS PTO

Teacher and staff appreciation breakfast!

THIS Wednesday, March 25th

Please join us in celebrating our amazing teachers and staff with an appreciation breakfast! Please sign up using the link below. Items can be dropped off in the teachers lounges at drop off. Thank you for contributing!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0945A5AE2DA5F4C70-51245811-teacher>

School Uniform swap!

The uniform swap will begin **THIS Tuesday, March 24th- Thursday, March 26th** on the stage in the gymnasium.

All are invited to come and get FREE gently used uniforms! This will take place on the elementary school gymnasium stage. Come and grab some uniforms anytime on Tuesday 3/24 through Thursday 3/26, when the school is open. To make this event a success, the PTO is kindly requesting uniform donations you may have to bring in. If you have any gently used uniforms (no stains, rips, holes, and up to date on the current MCS logo) that your child has outgrown and no longer needs, please consider bringing them in! We ask that you please drop them off clean and folded, onto the labeled tables on the gymnasium stage. Your donations will help ensure that all families have access to good quality, and affordable uniform options. If you have any questions, please email the PTO at pto@materchristischool.net

THANK YOU and we look forward to seeing you at the uniform swap!!

Join Us for a Fun MCS Night out at the Lake Monsters Game- Sunday, May 31st!

Baseball season is almost here and we are excited to invite you to a special **MCS community event** at a Lake Monsters baseball game! It's a great chance to enjoy a fun night out with other MCS families, and support our school! Wear your MCS spirit shirt :)

When you buy your tickets through the link below, half of the proceeds will go directly to our school!

Fundraiser purchase Deadline is May 23rd, 5pm!

Date: Sunday, May 31st

Time: The Game starts at 5:05 pm

Where: Centennial Field in Burlington

Click here to purchase your tickets! →

<https://www.ticketreturn.com/prod2new/GroupPortalPEC.asp?HoldID=35639&SponsorID=19317&EventID=354763>

SCHOOL RE-ENROLLMENT REMINDER:

You should have received an email titled “2026–2027 Enrollment and Tuition Agreement.” Please take a few moments to complete the online re-enrollment form online as soon as possible.

Timely submission helps us plan thoughtfully for staffing, classroom placements, and the upcoming academic year. If you did not receive the email or have any questions, please contact Melissa mshenesac@materchristischool.net.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial Assistance Applications due by April 15

The window for Financial Aid applications for current families is from January to April 15. After April 15 we open the remaining funds to new families. The application is found in FACTS. The Financial Aid Committee has begun reviewing applications, and reminds you that you may estimate your 2025 income and upload your tax return at a later date. If you have any questions, please contact Kate Lafferty klafferty@materchristischool.net

MCS SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

Welcome to MCS Summer Camp 2026!

Slots are filling up fast so sign up your child NOW!

Registration for Summer 2026 is open! The link to register is here <https://forms.gle/dDGLMcRt85TF8QzB7> and on the school's website. Each camp session is \$425. All campers must be 3 years old by the start date of their session, and may not be entering a grade higher than 4th grade in Fall 2026.

Session Schedule and Dates

Camp Hours are from 8:00am to 3:00pm every day

Session 1- Enchanted Encounters: June 22nd - June 26th

Session 2- STEAM Heat: June 29th - July 3rd

Session 3- Under the Sea: July 6th - July 10th

Session 4- Christmas in July: July 13th - 17th

Session 5- Mission: Galaxy Quest: July 20th - 24th

Session 6- Jurassic Adventure: July 27th - 31st

Session 7- Park Safari: August 3rd - August 7th

Session 8- Camping Out at Camp: August 10th - 14th

Questions? Email Camp Director, Kristen King at summercamp@materchristischool.net

YEARBOOK - FINAL DAY TO PURCHASE THE 2025-2026 YEARBOOK IS MARCH 31ST!

Order yours here: <https://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A08741230>

If you need to check if you have purchased one already, please email Ms. King at king@materchristischool.net.

LIBRARY

Ms. King is looking for the following for the library. If you can help, please stop by the library or email her at king@materchristischool.net!

1. Covering books - always needed!!
2. Spring cleaning of the library - wiping down/dusting all bookshelves and window sills
3. Do you have any jars you are recycling? I'm looking for any size jars with lids (oui - I have lids, pickle, spaghetti sauce, mason type, etc) for projects this summer. You can drop them off in the library. Thanks so much!!!
4. SAVE THE DATE: Paper Pie Book Fair! April 13-17 - All new inventory!

AFTERSCHOOL REGISTRATION

Afterschool 2026-2027 Registration is now OPEN to returning MCS Families! The form is linked below, or is always accessible on our website.

[Registration Form](#)

Please email afterschool@materchristischool.net with any questions.

VOLUNTEERS AND CHAPERONES

There are several opportunities in the year to volunteer or chaperone field trips or other events for your child's class. The Diocese and Mater Christi require volunteers and chaperones, like staff, to have background check items performed before the event. These items include filling out a form, going for a fingerprint, and taking a short child safety online training.

The Diocese has stressed this importance and we will have to say "no" to parents that have not gone through these background hoops. If you are planning on being a volunteer or chaperone in the next school year, please contact Kate Lafferty klafferty@materchristischool.net to start the background check process (fingerprints can take up to 2 months for results to come in).

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