



Weekly Mailer – October 15th

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A Message from Mrs. Turner

Dear St. Matthias Families,

Soles Walk

Fundraising for the *Soles Walk* is going well. This coming Tuesday, October 19 is our *Soles Walk*. It is also a Spirit Day. Students will rotate through four stations located throughout the school and church campus. Next week, students who bring in donations for the *Soles Walk* will earn a raffle ticket. At the end of the week, each homeroom will pull a raffle ticket and the winner will receive a gift card to Culvers and a candy bar. Students have the option to bring donations to school and/or may register to be an online fundraiser at <https://www.catholicschoolswalk.org/Soles-Walk>. Thank you in advance for your support.

Thank you for attending the School Advisory Committee/Home & School/Athletics Info Night

On October 11, a parent informational session was held by these committees. Thank you to the parents who attended. We would love to see other parents get involved in SAC, Home & School and Athletics even if you were not able to attend the session. Please contact the people below if you would like to learn more or join a committee. Thank you in advance for your service.

SAC Committee, Chair: Joey Officer - jofficer@gmail.com (5th)

Home and School, Chair: Carolina Itsines - itsines@muhs.edu (K5)

Athletics, Athletic Director: Chris Rodriguez - crodriguez@stmatthiasmilw.org

Halloween Celebrations

Friday, October 29 students will celebrate Halloween with their classes. Students in grades K4-6 may come to school in their costumes. 7th and 8th grade students need to come to school in their uniforms and will change into their costumes before their party. NO MAKEUP OR HAIR DYE ALLOWED. Later the same evening, Home & School will sponsor **Trunk or Treat**.

Trunk or Treat will be held on Friday, October 29th. Home & School is still looking for families to sign up to be trunkers and pass out candy. Please see the flyer in this week's mailer for more information on how to sign up. The more families who sign up to participate, the more opportunity students have to trick or treat. We are looking forward to a great night of family fun. Hope to see you there.

Safeguarding All God's Children

All school and parish employees and volunteers who have regular contact with children are required to complete an awareness training session before volunteering at school. The goal of the Catholic Church is to ensure that our children are as safe as possible. The program includes an initial 3-hour awareness session. Parents are not able to chaperone field trips or volunteer in the classroom until they take this training. Although opportunities to volunteer are limited this year, I would like to encourage parents and guardians who may be interested in volunteering in the future to complete this training now. For more information, please click this [link](#) for instructions on starting this process. Please contact Terry Czerwinski (school office) or Brian Jens (Christian Formation) for more information.



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Bulldog Award

The Bulldog Award is awarded to a classroom that has been found to be a) hardworking, b) curious, and c) kind. This week the Bulldog Award goes to Mrs. Bublitz K4 class. The K4 showed curiosity and hard work as they listened to Mr. Peter and Deacon Stan during their church visit earlier this week. They also attended their first Mass yesterday and did a great job!

Mass

Our October 21st will be prepared and led by grade 7. Masked visitors are welcome to celebrate School Mass. Please sit in the visitor's section.

Soccer Updates

Congratulations to our 3rd/4th grade team on being League Champions!

Congratulations to our 5th/6th grade St. Matthias/SJE team making the playoffs! Come cheer them on Saturday, October 16th at 3:30pm, field located at South 84th Street & Coldspring Road.

Catholic Memorial High School

Any interested students are encouraged to attend open house Sunday, October 17th from 10:00-1:00pm.

COVID-19 Updates

This week's Covid summary:

- No students are in quarantine due to being close contacts.
- No classes are in quarantine.
- No staff members are in quarantine.

Blessings,
Mrs. Alissa Turner
Principal
aturner@stmatthiasmilw.org

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ART NEWSLETTER!

Hello!

I would like to start by formally introducing myself! My name is Danielle Burrows and I am the art teacher here at St. Matthias! I started at St. Matthias last November in the middle of virtual learning - something I never thought I would be doing during my first year of teaching! I'm at St. Matthias full time this year and couldn't be more thankful! I love working with your children and they have all taught me so much - not only about myself, but also the world around me!

If you ever need to get a hold of me, my school email is dburrows@stmatthiasmilw.org. I do not work on the weekends or evenings after 4, so please allow for a 24-48 hour time frame for a response. Below are the days your child has art class and a description of what they are working on in the upcoming weeks! If it is at all possible, please try to have them dress in darker clothes these days to avoid stains on lighter clothing. In the event that we are working with cloth staining materials, smocks will be worn.

K4/K5:

K4 has art on Mondays and Thursdays

K5 has art on Wednesday and Thursdays

The K4/K5 students have been working on exploring new art materials while also learning about different colors and shapes. They have mastered how to use their scissors, glue sticks, liquid glue bottles, markers, and much more! They worked so hard on creating "shape monsters" that represented these new found skills. K5 finished a little earlier than K4 so they got to explore watercolor paints as well.

1st & 2nd:

Both 1st & 2nd have art on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays

1st and 2nd graders have been working so hard on color theory! The last few weeks we have been working on identifying the differences between primary and secondary colors, intermediate and analogous colors, as well as complimentary colors. They are just finishing up their "color wheel sunflowers" this week and will be starting crayon and leaf rubbings next week!

3rd-5th:

3rd has art on Wednesdays and Fridays

4th has art on Monday and Fridays

5th has art on Tuesdays and Fridays

The 3rd-5th grades just finished up working on their "about me" collage sculpture boxes. These boxes are supposed to act as a safe space for the kids to store their art work in at home. They worked so hard on this project and I was totally blown away with their creativity! We are now currently working on learning about the elements of art and will be creating projects in response to those elements (shape, line form, texture, value, color, space).

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6th-8th:

6th has art on Monday and Thursdays

7th and 8th have art on Tuesday and Wednesdays

The 6-8th graders also just finished up working on their "about me" collage sculpture boxes. Again, these boxes are supposed to act as a safe space for the kids to store their art work in at home. I made one of these growing up and still have it under my bed at home! We are now transitioning into a new unit that focuses on healing through the natural world. This unit was created this summer at a workshop I did at Lynden Sculpture Garden in Fox Point. I worked with 20+ local art educators in MPS as well as world renowned artist Daniel Minter to create this project. Students will learn how to deal with real life issues and emotions through art and nature. They will also be exploring their own personal identity, and how that is connected with nature. They will get to work with printmaking materials and will be creating their own stamp in response to a nature walk we will be doing on the school's campus!

Thank you so much for reading through this newsletter!

Please feel free to reach out at any time with any questions or concerns you have!

-Danielle Burrows



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ST. MATTHIAS

1ST TRUNK OR TREAT

ST. MATTHIAS SCHOOL PARKING LOT

10.29.2021 | 5:30 - 7:00 PM

We are looking for trunkers!

If you would like to decorate your
car/trunk please email H&S

bulldogswalk@gmail.com

For planning purposes, we are
requesting that you RSVP no later
than October 25.

