

August 20, 2019

Dear Lower School Parents,

It has been a great first full week in the Lower School. The students are excited to be in their classrooms and have enjoyed meeting many new friends as well as seeing their classmates from previous years. The teachers are busy teaching the children their new routines and planning many engaging activities. Drop off and dismissal carline procedures are running smoothly despite the bad weather we have experienced. We appreciate your patience during these first few weeks. Please be reminded that if we are in the midst of a thunderstorm during dismissal, we will hold students in place which means students in Grades 1 and above will remain in their classroom buildings. Therefore, even if parents choose to pick up their children from classrooms, it is likely that the cars will not be able to move until all students are released.

Several Lower School parents who also have older siblings in Grades 3 and above have asked about where they should drop off the older students if they do not want to navigate through two carlines. Intermediate School students can be dropped off at the ramp by Mitchell Hall where students in Grades 1 and 2 are dropped off. From the ramp, students can easily navigate the sidewalk leading to the Intermediate School building and students in Grades 7 and above can go to their Upper School classrooms.

I want to remind the PK and kindergarten parents that the ECC building is a tree-nut- and peanut-free area. This includes any products which are processed in facilities where nuts are also processed. Please be sure to read all food labels and avoid sending items containing nuts or which are processed in facilities where nuts are used. We also have several students in first grade with nut allergies and ask first grade parents to be mindful of nut allergies when choosing food for their students.

We have some exciting events planned in the next few weeks, so please make note of the following information and be sure to look at the Beyond Bayside offerings if you wish to have your children participate in dance lessons, music lessons, or after school camps being offered each week. I also invite you to follow me on Twitter @MarileeSPropst to see photos of the children in action. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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On the Horizon

Every Wednesday: Lunch orders due for following weekFriday, August 30: 1:55 p.m., All School Pep Rally(Theme: Going Country! Students may come out of uniform in country/Western attire. No toy weapons,

please!)

7:00 p.m., Home Football Game vs. Faith Academy Monday, September 2: Labor Day, School Closed Tuesday, September 3: Dress Uniform for Grades 1–12