# St. Matthew Specials Newsletter

### **WELCOME BACK SMS!**

Saint Matthew



The Saint Matthew Specials teachers want to welcome back all of our Warrior families! We missed you and hope you had a great summer! Every month this year you will receive a newsletter from the SMS Specials Team to update you on all the "special happenings" in Specials! We will also inform you of any Specials events happening throughout the school year. Look under the "Upcoming Events" section and mark your calendars!

Please read on for more information that may be shared. We will try to have to have at least one picture as well as a small description on what is going on that month. If you have any questions feel free to contact us by school emails.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 24th-

Parent Information night

Nov. 28th-

K-5 Music Program at 6:30 pm

Dec 12th-

Middle School band and choir Christmas concert-6:30 pm

Jan-16th-

*Open House- 5:30 -7:30 pm* 

Ian- 18th

SMS Showcase-6:30 pm

March 1<sup>st</sup>
-8<sup>th</sup> grade Musical

**May 17**<sup>th</sup> – Field Day



## **MEET YOUR SPECIALS TEACHERS**

Below are your Specials teachers for Music, Art, Spanish, and PE. We also added 5 fun facts about each of us!

#### Mrs. Mary Brook-Spanish

Email: mkubed@aol.com

¡Hola, Amigos! I am Mary Brooks. Middle School Spanish Teacher and Extended Care Director

#### Fun Facts:

- 1. This is my 20th year at Saint Matthew
- 2.I have over 40 years experience in child care.
- 3.I have 3 grown children.
- 4. I spent a summer in Mexico and in Argentina.
- 5. I am converting a shuttle bus for travel when retired

#### Ms. Emily Lindbloom-Art

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Hello all. My name is Emily Lindbloom. I teach K-8 Art! This is my 2<sup>nd</sup> year at St. Matt.

#### Fun Facts:

- 1. My family and I have two golden retrievers, Rudy (2 years old) and Hazel (a puppy)!
- **2.** I love to travel! I especially love learning about different countries, cultures, and artworks around the world.
- 3. For school I went to Hope College in Holland, MI and graduated with a BA in Studio Art and a minor in Art History.
- **4.**When I am making my own artwork, I like to paint, draw, or collage. I like using oil paint, egg tempera, pen & ink, and charcoal to create.
- 5. My favorite painting is the Starry Night by Vincent Van Gogh.





#### Mrs. Amy Dinwiddie – PE

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Hello St. Matthew Warriors. I am Mrs. Dinwiddie, your P.E. teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. Welcome to St. Matthew. You can call me Mrs. D. I'm so excited to have you in P.E. this year. I'm looking forward to a year full of trying your best, believing in yourself, being a team player, and practicing good sportsmanship. Fun Facts:

- 1. This is my second year as the P.E. teacher here at SMS.
- 2. I live with my husband Will, daughter Kat, son Wilkes, goldendoodle Marnie, and bulldog Diggy.
- 3. I love dogs.
- 4. I love sports. I love watching them, playing them, cheering for them, and coaching them.
- 5. I love Drake.



#### Mr. Nate Arrowood-Music

#### Email: Narrowood@saintmatt.org

Welcome Back Warriors. I hope you had great summer! I am Mr.Arrowood and I am the K-8 music teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. I am also the Middle School band and choir teacher!

#### Fun Facts:

- 1. I am a Graduate of Franklin College where I graduated with a BA in instrumental music and a minor in educational studies.
- 2. I love to spend free time outdoors on the water fishing or on a boat.
- 3. I play the bass guitar and tuba as my two main intruments
- 4. This is my 3<sup>rd</sup> year at St. Matthew.
- 5. I have a yorkie at home named Lilly. She just turned 14!



#### Important Information

• School Instrument band forms due asap if not turned in yet!