

QUEEN OF APOSTLES SCHOOL CELEBRATES
50 YEARS OF EAGLE EXCELLENCE
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Monday June 12, 2017

Last Day of School

Wednesday, June 14

12:15 Dismissal

No Afternoon Extended Day

Farewell and Best Wishes

I want to thank the Queen of Apostles School community for your support and kind words to me. I have part of this community for 17 years (22 in the parish) and Queen of Apostles will forever hold a special place in my heart. I will keep all of you in my prayers. My husband and I may be moving out of the area. I am looking forward to a new adventure in my life.

I truly appreciate the faculty, staff, and priests for giving their time and talents to our school. I especially want to thank the following faculty and staff who will not be returning for the school next year. I wish them the best in their future endeavors.

Mrs. Ault (4th grade teacher). Mrs. Ault has taught at Queen of Apostles for 24 year. She is retiring and will be greatly missed. Her love of the students and her strong Catholic faith has been inspiration to me and to many others. I wish her much fun and happiness in her retirement.

Mrs. Dowden (Kindergarten teacher). Mrs. Dowden is retiring after 20 years of teaching at Queen of Apostles. Her kind and gentle approach allows each of her students to shine throughout the year. She is a talented teacher who helped her students have a successful start to their Catholic education. I wish her all the best during her retirement.

Cristina Crowley (Extended Day Director). Mrs. Crowley will be teaching at St. John's Academy next school year. She will be missed in our extended day program. Mrs. Crowley has a wonderful way with working with students and made the students feel welcomed in the after school program. I know she will do well in her new position. She will still be part of our school community as a parent of one of our students.

Darya Villhauer (Art and Middle School Literature). For the past five year, beautiful student artwork filled the hallways created under the guidance of Mrs. Villhauer. She also directed the 8th grade in their Shakespeare play and exposed our middle school students to a variety of literature. Next year, she will be teaching at St. Veronica's school. It will be a new opportunity, and I am confident that Mrs. Villhauer will do well. She will be missed here.

Tina Pettyjohn (Office). Mrs. Pettyjohn was responsible a variety of tasks at Queen of Apostles, including working with our school grading system and registering new families during the five years she has been at Queen of Apostles. She worked well the faculty, parents, and students. She will be working at St. James School next year. She is very talented and will be greatly missed.

Hiwote Sahilu (Kindergarten Aide). Hiwote has been working with Mrs. Dowden for the past four years, but has been part of the school community (as a parent) for even longer. Although, her official job title is "instructional aide" her educational background and experience with working with students went beyond her job title. While working at our school, Ms. Hiwote completed her Bachelor's and Master's degrees in education at George Mason University. She has a bright future ahead of her as she moves into a full-time teaching position.

Barbara Tumbarello (1st Grade). We want to thank Mrs. Tumbarello for being at our school for the past two years. Her many years of teaching experience really benefited our first grade students. Her clear expectations and calm demeanor created a positive classroom environment in which all students could learn. She will be teaching at St. Bernadette School next year. I wish her all the best.

Dex Curi (Middle School Science). Mr. Curi taught science to all our middle school students this year. He also guided the 7th and 8th grade students through their science fair projects. This year our students performed well at the Diocesan Science Fair. We thank Mr. Curi for all his hard work and wish him all the best in his new position.

Again, I am thankful to have had an opportunity to work with such wonderful faculty, staff, students, and parents. I wish all of you a safe and blessed summer.

Sincerely in Christ,
Kathy Littlefield

Congratulations to our 8th grade and Kindergarten Graduates



Kindergarten Graduation 2017



8th grade Graduating Class 2017

Soar Like an Eagle 5K and 1 mile fun run/walk

Thank you to the Mr. Tennant and Mr. Crowley, and Mr. Ward for organizing this year's 5K run. It was a fun event! Thank you to the runners and many volunteers that made this event a success.

School Summer Office Hours

Starting Monday, June 19, the school office hours are 8 am to 12 noon Monday through Friday. Appointments can also be made if these times are not convenient with your schedule. Call the school office at (703) 354-0714 or email Mrs. Maria Fox at m.fox@queenofapostlesschool.org to answer your questions or schedule an appointment.

Calendar Reminders

All tuition, extended day, library fines, and fees must be paid before June 14. Report cards will be held for any outstanding balances. Please contact Flora Wack, business manager, if you have any questions. Her email is f.wack@queenofapostles.org or call her at (703) 354-8711 ext. 14.

Tuesday, June 13

3:15 Dismissal (1st - 7th grades)
Last day for afternoon extended day.

Wednesday, June 14

11:30 am Awards Ceremony (3rd - 7th grades); School gym
12:15 Dismissal & Last Day of School (1st - 7th)

No Afternoon Extended Day

Pick up any medication from the clinic

Tuesday, August 1

Emergency Care Forms and other School Health Forms Due.

Monday, August 28

1st Day of School for the 2017-2018 School Year



Box Tops for Education

We have one final push this school year to earn cash by clipping Box Tops from products and sending them to school! So far, we have collected over \$600 this school year!! This money will be used by the PTO to fund items our teachers and school administration believes is necessary to enrich the educational experience of all students. Please keep in mind that while each box top is worth \$.10 each, to date the school community has collected over \$6,300!! This goes to show that every Box Top can make a significant impact!

We will be collecting those pink Box Tops through **Wednesday, June 14th**. Send them in with your student or drop them off at the office. The class with the most box tops will earn a special reward to start off the new 2017/2018 school year!

And just because it is summer break, don't take a break from clipping those Box Tops! We will begin collecting them again next school year.

See a list of products at www.BTFE.com/products.

Summer Maintenance for Students and Health Forms

Please check your student's backpack for information on work to be completed over the summer. The information will also be posted on our school website (www.queenofapostleschool.org). It is important to maintain skills over the summer, especially in reading and math. Classroom supply lists are also located on the school's website. If you have any questions, please call the school office at (703) 354-8711.

Please click on the following to update the [Emergency Care](#) and [Confidential Health History Update Forms](#). These must be updated every school year for all new and returning students. The form is **due to the school by August 1st**. Save paper and update your information by logging into PowerSchool, our school's data base. You can update the information in the demographic section. Remember all new students must also have the Virginia Health Form filled out and signed by a doctor. The form is due prior to new students starting school.

PTO News

It's hard to believe there is less than 48 hours of school remaining. Where has the year gone? As I reflect on the year, I think of all the events which brought us together as a family. These are the events where I meet the families of my daughter's friends, where I am able to just enjoy the company of fellow PTO Board members and have a few minutes with our pastors. A heartfelt THANK YOU to the chairs and volunteers who made all these events so successful and enjoyable. Your time does not go unnoticed. We appreciate every moment you spent at home and at school (and probably at work) taking care of every detail that goes into each event. Our students, staff and school family are truly blessed to have you.

Pancake Breakfast

Battle of the Books

Lego After School

CYO Sports

Field Day

Hot Lunch

Tennis Teams

Uniform Sales

Basketball Teams

Grandparents Day

Lunch With Someone You Love

Grocery & Retail Rewards

Box Tops for Education

Fall & Spring Picture Days

Hearing & Eye Exam Clinic

Catholic School Weeks

Book Fair

Teacher Appreciation Events & Luncheons

Pasta & Bingo Night

Evergreen Wreath Fundraiser

Math Club

Pizza Fridays

International festival

5K / 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk

Car Line

Ice Cream Wednesdays

Shakespeare Festival

Science Fair

All Saints Car Raffle

Denim & Diamonds Auction & Cocktail Party



The school was presented with a check for \$4,403.27 from Harris Teeter Together in Education Program. Thank you for shopping at Harris Teeter and selecting Queen of Apostles in this education program.

Lane Signs

The front & back lanes of our school have new names! At the Denim & Diamonds Auction, Mrs. Diane Gavin won the right to Name the Back Lane for the entire calendar year. At the Soar Like An Eagle 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk she revealed the back lane has been renamed, Mr. Leonard's Way. Thank you Mrs. Gavin for this wonderful gift of recognition for Mr. Leonard and for our school.

Mr. Timothy and Mrs. Amanda Stuhldreher (Rosemary, 2nd Grade) won the Denim & Diamond's auction item Name the Front Lane, and have renamed the front lane Higher Gifts Way. What a wonderful name! We thank them for their generosity and reminder of all the gifts we receive at Queen of Apostles.

THIS WEEK

Race T-Shirts For Sale

I saw many of you at the 5K / 1 Mile Fun Run/ Walk this past Saturday. Race t-shirts are available for purchase at school for \$10.00. These are very good looking, comfortable t-shirts. Sizes are for youth, men and women. Send in money (cash or check payable to "Queen of Apostles PTO") with a note indicating the number, gender and size desires.

Staff Appreciation Lunch - Wednesday, June 14th - 11:00-12:30 AND 2:00-3:00pm

We would appreciate your help setting up before, and helping to clean up after, the staff appreciation lunch this Wednesday, the last day of school for the students. This is an end of the year appreciation lunch for all the school staff and our pastors. If you are able to help, please sign up online at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0c49aca922ab9-staff>, or call the school office at (703) 354-0714. Thank you.

2016-2017 PTO Board

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Summer Camps

Many Catholic Schools and local organization host summer camps. As we receive the information, we will add it to the list below:

- Queen of Apostles Parish Summer Camp 2017. This camp for students currently in kindergarten through 6th is hosted by two Bishop Ireton High School students (and former QofA students). There are four sessions from July 3rd through August 4th from 9 am to 3 pm.



- 2017 MVBA Summer Basketball Camp &

Free Skill Development & Shooting Clinic at Queen of Apostles, Directed by Mark Vincent Former Assistant Coach at Montrose Christian-2011 National Champions

Come and join Coach Vincent, staff, and players for the MVBA Summer Basketball Camp. Boys and Girls from 5-17 years old are invited to attend. Camp hours are from 9 AM-3 PM. Campers can arrive as early as 8:15 AM and stay until 4 PM. Campers can bring their lunch or order pizza. Concessions will be sold throughout the day as well.

Some of our camp features include: quote of the day, offensive and defensive objectives, a daily character development component, lectures and demonstrations, goal setting, daily fundamental stations, shooting form, shooting drills and competition, 1 on 1 competitions, 3 on 3 league, 5 on 5 play, motion screening and cutting, defensive fundamentals and positioning, daily prizes, and much more. Campers are grouped according to age, skill, and size. Below is our camp date and link to enroll. All registration is done online.

June 19-22 at Queen of Apostles in Alexandria, VA

<https://2017mvbasummergoa1.eventbrite.com>

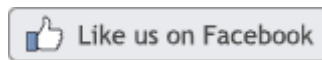
All Queen of Apostles community members will receive a special registration rate of \$125 for camp. We only have 25 camp spaces available for this rate. Please take advantage of the rate. Again, there are only 25 spaces available at this special rate and it will end on Wednesday, May 31st.

Lastly, if you enroll siblings or register for multiple camp sessions, you will receive an additional \$20 discount. If you have any questions, please email us at markvincentbasketballcamps@gmail.com or for more information, click on the link <http://www.markvincentbasketballcamps.com>. We encourage you to enroll your child as soon as possible because camp space is filling up quickly.

- [Bishop Ireton](#) - Follow this [link to Cardinal Camps](#)
- [Bishop O'Connell Summer Camps](#). Now accepting registrations for our sports camps. We will have multiple camps throughout the summer.

[Click here for more information about our various summer camps.](#)

- Players Soccer Academy Summer Camps at two locations! Camps held in June and July. For more information and to register for the camps, go to www.ThePlayersSoccerAcademy.com. You can also call (703) 598-5039 or email PlayersSoccerAcademy@gmail.com
- Click here for information on [Blessed Sacrament's Summer Camp](#).
- [Spotlight on the ARTS July 10-21](#). Two locations, All Saints and at Nativity. Click [here](#) for more information. Early bird discounts available.
- Registration is now open for this summer's "[Summertime Blast: Jesus in the Eucharist](#)" VBS program at Queen of Apostles!



If you have any questions or concerns, please call the school office or send an email to Kathy Littlefield, Principal, at K.Littlefield@queenofapostleschool.org