

*"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not tremble or be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." -Joshua 1:9*

## WELCOME BACK MCS FAMILIES!

We are glad to see you back on campus!



## PASTOR RAY'S FIRST DAY BLESSING 2017



**HAPPY TO BE BACK AT MCS!**



**OUR CARING FRONT OFFICE STAFF WELCOMES YOU**

Welcome back MCS families – we look forward to serving you this year!



From Left to Right: Roxy Reycasa, Front Office Assistant; Kelly Rupp, Attendance Clerk; Ori Brown, High School Administrative Assistant; Amy Youssi, Executive Assistant to Superintendent, Office Manager, Development Coordinator; Lisa Black, Elementary and Jr. High Administrative Assistant.

## PAC'S POST

### TAILGATE EVENT – JOIN US TO CHEER ON THE EAGLES!

FRIDAY, SEPT 1 | TAILGATE 5:30-6:30PM, GAME STARTS 7PM | MCS CAMPUS

Touchdown at MCS for our first game of the year! Everyone's invited to our event – tailgate starts at 5:30pm, and we kick-off at 7pm:

- \$5 Tailgate Box Meal includes entry to game (5:30-6:30pm only)
- Spirit tattoos
- Food trucks
- SWAG bags for all new families & first 50 returning

Note: Standard Athletic fees will resume at 6:30 –\$12 adult \$5 Student. [Click here to buy tickets or to volunteer.](#)



*“Attending a Maranatha football game feels like you’ve stepped into a time machine and landed in the middle of the 1950’s – a time when families from small towns rallied around their home teams and cheered their boys to victory.”*

-Steve Whitley | Director of Athletics

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 28	9th Grade Parent Night 6:30-8pm
Aug 28-Sep 1	Elementary MAP Testing
Aug 29	12th Grade Parent Night 6:30-8pm
Aug 30	11th Grade Parent Night 6:30-8pm
Aug 31	4th Grade Sacramento Parent Info Meeting 3-4:30pm Room C102
Sept 1	After School Ice Cream Sales
Sept 4	Labor Day   No School

## ALL SCHOOL NEWS

### BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHTS

We're excited to share what your student can expect for the 2017-2018 school year. See you there!



Preschool – Thursday, August 31 | 6-7pm  
Elementary School – Thursday, September 7 | 6:30 – 8pm  
Junior High – Thursday, September 7 | 6:30-8:30pm  
High School – Tuesday, September 5 | 6:30-8pm

### ADMISSIONS UPDATE

Wow! We had another tremendous growth spurt over the summer:

**Overall Growth (Preschool-12th Grade) – 11% Increase**

**Biggest Division Increase – High School 28% Increase**

**Summer Camps & Enrichment – 27% increase**

Since our foundation in 1991, we continue to witness the faithfulness and goodness of God not only sustaining us, but growing us.

### NICHE.COM RANKS MCS #5 OF TOP PRIVATE K-12 SCHOOLS IN SAN DIEGO



We're excited to report the news on our new Niche.com ranking making us #5 best Private K-12 school in all of San Diego. Niche is the 'go-to' website for families when they want to find out what schools are right for them. Niche carefully analyze data sets and reviews to produce comprehensive rankings and profiles for every K-12 school, college and neighborhood in the U.S.

If you'd like to add feedback about your experience here at MCS, [click here to write a review](#). (Please note, Niche is still in the process of updating our page).



## JOIN THE CONVERSATION

*use the hashtag #mcseagles17 on all your posts!*



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## ANSWERING THE CALL

### OH WHAT A DIFFERENCE A SUMMER MAKES

As we jump into the new year, we want to pause and say thank you for helping to get us here. This summer we have seen the new High School Building go from Final Permit Approval to turn-key ready.



WATCH FOR DETAILS COMING SOON AS WE FINISH PHASE 1:

- New High School Entrance
- Performing Arts Studio (S-Building Renovations)
- Donor Brick Installation
- Athletics Fields Renovations
- Academic Enhancements
- Eagle Fund - Salary Matrix



### CATCH UP WITH LAST YEAR – READ WINGSPAN

Check out the latest issue of our WINGSPAN magazine – you'll be able to dig a little deeper into all of the activities and programs here at MCS. You may also be surprised to see some of your students in our articles too!

- New building recap
- High School Mission Trip feature
- How our High School prepares students for college
- Map showing our college acceptances
- JH, Athletics, and Performing Arts recap
- Elementary & Preschool feature articles
- Campus Life photos

Click the image to read the online version.

### MCS WAS LIVE AT RB ALIVE EXPO

Mrs. Thurman and Mrs. Cook greeted the RB community with their very best MCS smiles this summer. Over 35,000 attendees enjoyed the Expo this year – it was great to meet our neighbors!





### BOXTOPS ARE BACK

Grades TK-5 and 6-8 can compete to win a free dress day each quarter! Bring in all the box tops you've collected over the summer – and you'll help us get new books and supplies for MCS!

Reminder: Turn in box tops to Mrs. Turner, the front office, or Mrs. Turner's mail box in the Resource Room. Bundle tops in baggies and write your grade on the baggie.

## HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

The San Diego Union-Tribune

### MCS HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL STUDENTS IN THE NEWS

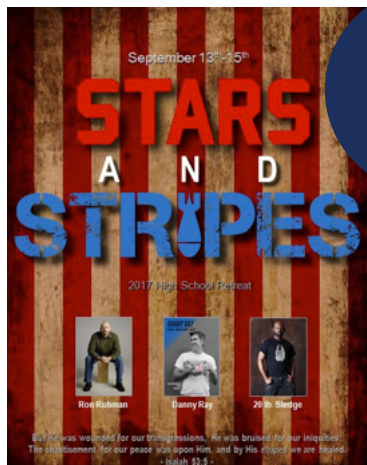


Maranatha Christian High School has announced the names of students who made its second semester honor rolls for the 2016-17 school year. Officials said 58 percent of the high school students earned the required 3.5 or higher grade point average to be listed on one of the two honor rolls. [Read more.](#)

### HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT – SIGN UP BY SEPTEMBER 1

SEPTEMBER 13-15 | PALOMAR CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE CENTER

[Click for more information](#)



One of the best events of the year – voted by MCS students!

### SPACE PROGRAM STUDENTS AND CEO'S CONNECT AT REALCOMM

San Diego Youth Space Program members Alex Partida and Justin Stout gave a talk about their projects at the Realcomm conference over the summer – and had a chance to chat with visionaries and CEO's while they were there. Larry Smarr helped create the internet, Avant Yardi is CEO of one of the most successful real estate automation companies in the industry, and Jim Young is the founder and CEO of Realcomm.



## JUNIOR HIGH NEWS



### SOLAR ECLIPSE SWEEPS ACROSS MCS

What a way to start 6th grade! A total eclipse of the sun. It was so exciting for the 6th graders to start the school year off by joining with other students, teachers, and administration to witness this amazing event. Students discovered the difference between a solar eclipse and a lunar eclipse. They used the pinpoint method of reflecting the image on white paper, viewing it on their phone, and using solar glasses.

## ELEMENTARY NEWS

### MAKER SPACE MAKES ITS BIG DEBUT!

**'The Makery' Elementary Science Room is Ready** for students to explore, design and share STEAM education in a custom-made classroom. Students will be able to develop their skills on a regular basis in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics in a fun, colorful and creative space.

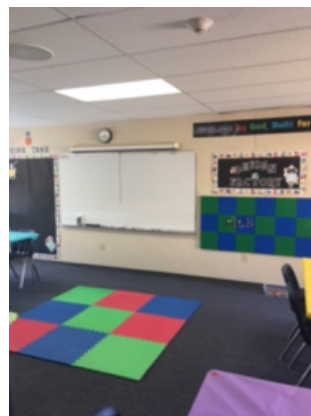
#### Intentional Room Design

- Dedicated room inspires smooth integration of technology and learning
- Flexible space for group collaboration or independent learning
- Smart organization allows a place for everything

The Maker Space will be used every day to benefit students across curriculum.

"...young children learn through active exploration—and the drive to observe, interact, discover, and explore is critical in their development. STEM\* sets children on a path to develop a love of scientific inquiry." -The National Teachers Association

(Note: At MCS, we add an 'A' for Arts as part of our STEAM curricula. The Arts complement academics for a whole child learning experience.)



## FIRST DAY OF FIRST GRADE

Mrs. Pritchett's and Dr. K's first grade students enjoy the shade after a tour around the school and a lap around the track with their fuzzy friends.



## PRESCHOOL NEWS

### FAMILY BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT | ICE CREAM SOCIAL

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31 | 6-7pm

Families join your Preschooler to visit their classroom, and afterwards, join us for our Ice Cream Social out on Solomon's porch!

### LEARNFUN AND PLAYFUN

Preschoolers are all smiles while making new friends on the playground.





## ATHLETICS

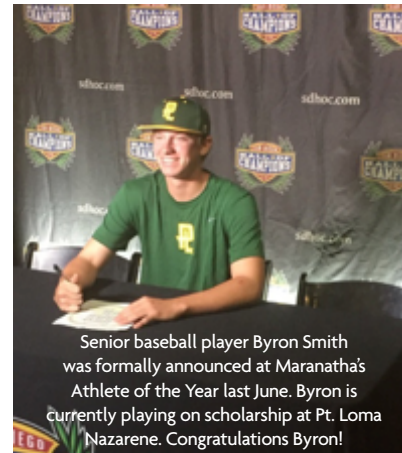


### FIRST HOME GAME

September 1 vs. Calipatria 'Tailgate Event', 7pm  
Tailgate starts at 5:30 (See Tailgate Event in PAC'S POST)

### GO MARANATHA!

Catching up on Summer News, don't miss this great article in the [The San Diego Union-Tribune](#) about our CIF Champion Baseball team!



Senior baseball player Byron Smith was formally announced at Maranatha's Athlete of the Year last June. Byron is currently playing on scholarship at Pt. Loma Nazarene. Congratulations Byron!

## NEWS FROM THE CHAPEL

### CHURCH PICNIC

The Maranatha Chapel Family Picnic August 12, 2017 was a blast! It was great to see the church and MCS community join together for a day in the sun. Hundreds of friends and family enjoyed games, food and fun on the fields of Maranatha Christian Schools' Campus.





## CONNECT HIGH SCHOOL GROUP

MEETS EVERY SUNDAY MORNING | 8:30-10am, 10:30-12pm

\*with exception to the 1st Sunday of the month; when we join the rest of the church in the main sanctuary to celebrate communion

TUESDAY NIGHTS | 7-9pm



## THRIVE JUNIOR HIGH GROUP

SUNDAY MORNINGS | 8:30-10am, 10:30-noon

Sunday mornings with the Junior High are structured to include a group time of worship, prayer and teaching/Bible study. The philosophy behind our Sunday gatherings is to primarily focus our time and attention to the corporate worship & teaching/study of God's word.

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## P.S. DON'T FORGET

*This section accommodates MCS information that isn't necessarily 'new' but convenient to have handy weekly!*



## MOMS IN PRAYER

Moms In Prayer International - Join the worldwide community of moms praying for children & schools. We meet Monday mornings 8:20-9:20am in the After School Care Room (ASCP). Every Monday except half-days and holidays.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Family Prayer Walk – Monday, September 18 | 8:30am

Welcome Meeting – Monday, September 25 | 8:20-9:20am

[Click here](#) to view our 2017-2018 Schedule

## **2017 - 2018 MCS STUDENT HOLIDAY/NON-STUDENT DAYS CALENDAR**

[CLICK HERE](#) to view it for your planning purposes.

### **PARENT VOLUNTEERS**

Mrs. Dorsey is the contact person in the Admissions department for processing volunteer applications. Please contact her directly for more information | [cherie.dorsey@maranathachristianschools.org](mailto:cherie.dorsey@maranathachristianschools.org)

### **SUPPORT MCS WHEN YOU SHOP AT AMAZON.COM**

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### **WE'RE ON INSTAGRAM!**

Do you have an [Instagram](#) account? If so, start tagging us @mcs\_eagles and using #mcseagles17 when posting your pictures for a chance to be featured on our page – it's a fun way to be involved in our Eagle pride!

### **LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!**

Maranatha Christian Schools has a [Facebook](#) page! Go to Facebook, search Maranatha Christian Schools and click "like". Then you can see all of the fun we are having at MCS!

### **FOLLOW US ON TWITTER!**

Stay up to date with us on [Twitter](#)!