

WINGSPAN

OCTOBER 2022



MCS students
gathering to pray
at "See You at
the Pole".

IN JESUS' NAME WE PRAY, AMEN

What an incredible sight to see hundreds of children gather together to pray. Our MCS students took part in "See You at the Pole." It's a global movement of student-led prayer that takes place on the fourth Wednesday in September. Our teachers, staff, parents and students prayed for our families, our school, our country and our leaders.

**"FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE GATHER TOGETHER
AS MY FOLLOWERS, I AM THERE AMONG THEM."**

EPHESIANS 3:12

The MCS Admissions Team would like to welcome all of our new students and families! We love seeing all of the new faces on campus. Our school is growing and we are already beginning group campus tours for next year. The tours are held every Tuesday morning at 9am. We will begin accepting new student applications for the 2023-2024 school year on Nov 1. Contact admissions.mcs@gomcs1.com.

MESSAGE FROM OUR SUPERINTENDENT

"The faculty and staff are thrilled to have our families and students back on campus after summer break, witnessing the joy that comes through learning and community. With grateful hearts, we continue in prayer for the Favor and Hand of God to be upon Maranatha Christian Schools and look to Jesus for His blessings throughout the year!"

- Jess Hetherington



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HAPPENINGS IN HIGH SCHOOL



HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT KICKS OFF SCHOOL YEAR

Drawing closer to the Lord. That was the goal of our 2022 High School retreat to the Whispering Winds campground outside of Julian. Over two hundred highschoolers embarked on the two-night retreat where they had an opportunity to hear from speakers, worship, take part in games and activities, and grow spiritually with friends and teachers. The retreat is designed to bring unity within our student body while watching our students develop spiritually.



High School Hoedown



Senior Parking Spot Painting



STAFF SHOUT-OUT



MR. JONATHAN WU
Director of Biblical Studies



MRS. TARA PRITCHETT
Education Support Coordinator



MRS. MELINDA MOREY
School Counselor

"Adding these three new school-wide positions is allowing us to support our students like never before and dramatically changes how we approach individualized needs."

- Pete Plotnik, H.S. Principal

NEW CLASSES

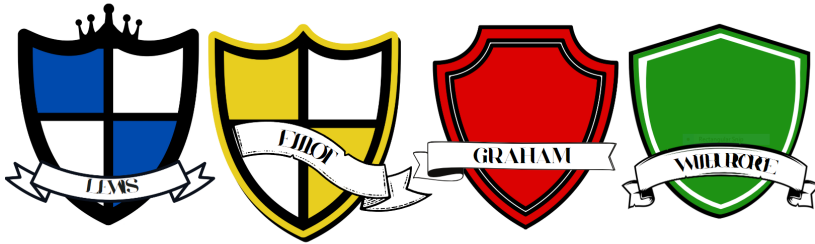
PERSONAL FINANCE
HEALTH (SPRING COURSE)
FRESHMAN SUCCESS
SENIOR SEMINAR

SAVE THE DATE

OCTOBER 14
Homecoming Football Game
OCTOBER 15
Homecoming Dance

REACH FOR THE SKY IN JUNIOR HIGH

THE MCJHS HOUSES



BUILDING A FIRM FOUNDATION

A wise man builds his house on the rock. For our Junior High students, they have been separated into four "Houses" and we are teaching them what it means to have a solid foundation. This year, the houses are named after Christians who are "loyal to the royal." That includes: C.S. Lewis, Billy Graham, Jim Elliot, and William Wilburforce. The students are taking part in creative competitions to earn house points for characteristics such as teamwork, effort, responsibility, compassion, and humility. Our chapel topics have been largely focused on being 'loyal to the royal' and comparing the difference between Saul and David.

The students are also taking part in a new program with their Advisory teacher called "Friendzy." This is a Bible-based social and emotional curriculum. The program will help the students build stronger friendships, better relationships with their parents and improve communication with their teachers. It will also teach them to start each day with a few "check-in with yourself questions" such as: How am I feeling? Why? What do I do about it?



Jr. High
Neon Night



Jr. High Snack Attack



STAFF SHOUT-OUT



MRS. SHARON VOGEL

Science Teacher

"Mrs. Vogel brings science to life. She guides them through the scientific process while pointing to God's creation and ultimate design."

- Principal Kelly Rodriguez

SAVE THE DATE

OCTOBER 5

House Color War

OCTOBER 11

Parent's Coffee With KRod (Social and Emotional Health)

OCTOBER 20 & 21

Parent Conferences

NOVEMBER 3

Family Lunch & OCC Packing Party

NOVEMBER 4

Jr. High Fun Night

NOVEMBER 15

Jr. High & High School Info Night



STAR STUDENT



JAGGER GOULART

8th Grade - JH ASB President

"Jagger is working hard at building community, sharing smiles and he planned Neon Night. We are so proud of his leadership!"

- Principal Kelly Rodriguez

EAGLES IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Above: TK Apple Fun
Left: Apple science lesson in Mrs. Clifford's 1st grade class.

SAVE THE DATE

OCTOBER 5

OCC Kick-Off Chapel

OCTOBER 27

Kindergarten Field Trip to Oma's Pumpkin Patch

NOVEMBER 3

OCC Packing Party & Family Lunch

NOVEMBER 10

Veterans Day Celebration
(Wear Red, White & Blue)

NOVEMBER 11

No School/Veterans Day

FALLING FOR APPLES

It's been a busy start for our elementary students. TK started Fall early with all things apples. Our centers, art projects, math activities, reading and so much more have been all about apples.

The ABC Bootcamp was a big hit for our Kindergarten students. The fun concluded with the annual "fashion show" where the students walked the red carpet while showing off their alphabet letter for parents and friends.

The first grade students have been busy learning about Johnny Appleseed, doing apple science projects and recently they celebrated Dot Day.

Second grade started the year with plant and animal life cycles. They observed the amazing transformation of live Painted Lady caterpillars turning into butterflies! Now, the students are watching God grow tiny Brassica seeds into incredible plants.

In third grade, the children are learning what it takes to be a meteorologist! The students have learned to use multiple tools to collect data and predict the weather, then performed experiments to replicate the water cycle.

The preparation has already started for our fourth grade students who will be heading to the state capitol in Sacramento in March. They have been studying the four regions of California, along with all the symbols that stand for California.

The fifth grade students just partnered up with their first grade "buddies". It's a mentoring program allowing our older students to help guide our first graders through reading, projects, and fun.



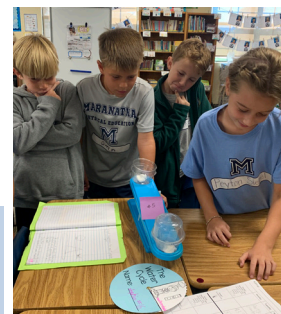
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Kindergarten ABC Fashion Show



3rd grade students learn what it takes to be a Meteorologist.



1st and 5th grade "Buddies"

ELECTING OUR LEADERS

Elementary ASB elections just wrapped up and we now know who will be representing our classes and our Fruit of the Spirit representatives. These students will help with the prayer and



pledge at chapel as well as Fruit of the Spirit awards. They will determine our free dress days, represent the school, and decide what to do with any proceeds brought in from fundraising. ASB is a wonderful opportunity to train these students in various leadership roles.



Hello!
My name is Ivan.

Mrs. Willis' 4th graders welcomed in a new class pet!

THE EAGLES NEST... INSIDE OUR PRESCHOOL



ON YOUR MARK, GET SET, GO!

It's off to the races at our Maranatha Christian preschool. Our three and four year old students had the opportunity to take part in our annual Trike-a-Thon. Thanks to the help of our wonderful staff members and parent volunteers, our riders had a fantastic time pedaling through our parking lot, stopping for gas and even a clean-up at the "Soapy Suds Bike Wash." We are still tallying the money raised and we can't wait to share with you how we are going to use that money for our students this year.



Also, our annual back-to-school night gave our parents a glimpse inside our classrooms to hear about the exciting things we have for our preschoolers this year. It also gave our families a chance for fellowship.

SAVE THE DATE

OCTOBER 13 & 14

Annual Firefighter Visit

OCTOBER 24

"Blessing Boxes" Mission Project Begins

NOVEMBER 7-9

Thanksgiving Harvest Celebrations



Say Cheese!
Snapshots of our preschoolers learning to share, play and have fun!



SOARING IN THE SPOTLIGHT



ANTICIPATION FOR ANNIE JR.

Rehearsals are well underway for our Fall production of Annie Jr. We had more than 110 elementary and junior high students audition for a part in this show. We are proud to announce that there are 83 cast members. Our students are putting in the hard work and countless hours preparing the performances which are set to take place at Maranatha Chapel November 11-13. Our staff members and parent volunteers have been diligently working on the set and costume design. This is a show you don't want to miss!

Meanwhile, we are excited to announce that this year's High School play will be "The Play That Goes Wrong" which will be on stage in our mezzanine in January. Auditions will be held October 25th. In addition, the spring musical this year will be "Oklahoma!" Auditions for "Oklahoma!" are set to take place on November 28th.



God Bless America
MCS choir performs
during the annual
America chapel.

Helping Hands
Parent volunteers
designing the set and
costumes for Annie Jr.



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OCTOBER 25

"The Play That Goes Wrong" Auditions

NOVEMBER 11-13

Annie Jr.

NOVEMBER 28

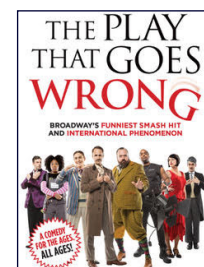
"Oklahoma!" Auditions

DECEMBER 6

Christmas Music Concert

DECEMBER 9

Elementary Christmas Productions



MARANATHA EAGLES SPORTS



H.S. BOYS CROSS COUNTRY WINS 1ST EVER INVITATIONAL!

It was a fantastic day for Maranatha Christian's Boys Cross Country team, as they made history! They won the first-ever Big School Invitational. We ran our whole team in the boys senior Division 2 invite! The boys totaled the lowest score at the invite which was 45pts and the 2nd place team scored 48. Congratulations to Boys Cross Country on this huge accomplishment.

"BUT THOSE WHO
HOPE IN THE LORD WILL
RENEW THEIR STRENGTH.
THEY WILL SOAR ON
WINGS LIKE EAGLES;
THEY WILL RUN AND
NOT GROW WEARY,
THEY WILL WALK AND
NOT BE FAINT."

ISAIAH 40:31

ATHLETES IN THE SPOTLIGHT



OWEN TSAY
Football

Sunset League he's ranked 1st in total yards. In the state of CA he is ranked 2nd in total yards, and 8th in passing yards. Nationally he is ranked 13th in total yards.



LAUREL BRZOSTKIEWICZ
Girls Volleyball

In Pacific League she's ranked 1st in kills, San Diego Section she's ranked 3rd in kills. In the state of CA, she's ranked 11th in kills.



BELLA SWORD
Cross Country

Ranked 3rd in Pacific League 3 mile run.



Did you know?
Our Girls HS
Volleyball is
dominating in
League!

SAVE THE DATE

OCTOBER 14
Homecoming Football Game



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Transformed Lives...Transforming the World!



See You at the Pole
September 28, 2022

