

Mercymount Country Day School PIE Memo (*Partners in Education*)

A Note from Sister Rayleen...

Happy June! It's been another year in which we can say, "it's been like no other." Admittedly, when I came to Mercymount, I imagined something quite different than what these past three years have presented. Yet, I continue to feel abundantly blessed. Through all the on-going challenges, the loving support, genuine care, and compassionate service of this community have triumphed. Just when I think that we as a community have reached our pinnacle of generosity, I am shown to be wrong. There have been so many moments in which we realize Coretta Scott King's words: "the greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members." Mercymount's strength comes from its community that is made up of each one of you. For another year as Mercymount's principal, I thank God and you!! I feel immensely grateful for every one of you and pray you know just how grateful I am!

As we look toward the end of this school year, let us unite our hearts in a prayer of blessing (from Jan Richardson) for our graduates. Abigail, Alex, Charlie, Emily, Hayden, Jake, Janthony, John C, John H, Julia, Kayla, Mason, Rachel, Sophia, and Summer

In the leaving, in the letting go, let there be this to hold onto at the last:

the enduring of love, the persisting of hope, the remembering of joy,

the offering of gratitude, the receiving of grace, the blessing of peace.

And may God bless each member of our Mercymount community with a safe and happy summer.

Affectionately,

Advancement Update

There's still time to give!

While we reflect on the closing of the 2021-2022 school year, we wanted to thank you for your commitment to Mercymount through monetary support, volunteer hours and prayers. It has been an amazing year, and that's because we are better, together. If you haven't already given to your favorite school in any capacity, there is still time! Our Annual Fund is accepting donations through June 30th. Consider making a gift today at <u>https://www.mercymount.org/giving</u>

Golf Tournament

Plans are under way for our annual golf tournament to be held on Monday, September 19, 2022 at Pawtucket Country Club, so save the date! If you'd like to join the planning committee, please contact Kristen Mallinson at <u>kristenmallinson@gmail.com</u>.

Middle School Dance

This Friday June 3rd, there will be a Middle School Dance. The dance will take place in the gym from 6-8:30 p.m. Permission slips were sent home. They can also be accessed on Mr. Evans Google classroom page or in the office.

Donations for Ukraine

From June 1-June 8 we will be collecting donations for Ukraine. We are looking for the following items: toothbrushes/toothpaste, inexpensive flip flops, gently used towels, blankets and coats. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Field Day - Monday, June 6

Get ready! Field Day will take place on Monday, June 6th. Grades K-7 will enjoy some fun outdoors! PS/PK will also enjoy Field Day on June 6th in a separate area. Students will be enjoying their lunch outside this year and it's bound to be a fun day for everyone! Any questions, please feel free to email Melissa Quinn at <u>melissaquinn8@hotmail.com</u>

Middle School Exams and Last Week of School: Please note change in Early Dismissal

As noted in Sister's past email, the week of June 6-10th, all **Middle School students** will have an option for "distance learning" on **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**. The Awards Ceremony was added at 1:00 p.m.on Thursday, therefore Middle Schoolers are encouraged to stay for a Full Day. Here is a daily list of the schedule for the last week of school:

Monday 6/6 - Full Day for both Elementary and Middle School

<u>Tuesday 6/7</u> – Elementary Full day. Option to dismiss Middle Schoolers at 11:30 a.m. for distance learning (no bus transportation, pick up required).

<u>Wednesday 6/8</u> – Elementary Full day. Option to dismiss Middle Schoolers at 11:30 a.m. for distance learning (no bus transportation, pick up required).

<u>Thursday 6/9</u> – Full day for both Elementary and Middle School, Last day of School for 8th grade. Awards ceremony at 1:00 p.m. for **All Students.**

Friday 6/10 – Last Day/Half Day for all. Dismissal 11:30 (busing available).

Graduation Mass - June 10

This year's Graduation Mass will take place in the Mercymount Gymnasium at **5:30 p.m.** Please note the time change from the originally schedule 6:00 p.m. start.

Last Day of School - June 10/Half Day

The school bell will ring for the final time (and summer vacation begins!) on Friday, June 10^h. This will be a half day of school for all with a dismissal time of **11:30 a.m**.

Medication Pick Up - June 10

Students' medications must be picked up and signed out <u>by a parent</u> by the last day of school; any medications not picked up will be disposed of. EpiPens and inhalers must stay in the school and will not be released for pick up until the end of the school day on Friday, June 10th. Medications for Gr. 8 students may be picked up at any convenient time before the end of the year.

Happy Father's Day - June 19

A father is neither an anchor to hold us back, nor a sail to take us there, but a guiding light whose love shows us the way.... Happy Father's Day to all the Dads and men in our lives who are or have been "father" to us!

Week of July 4th

The Mercymount office will be closed the week of July 4-10th.

2021-2022 Yearbooks

Order forms from Lifetouch were emailed home recently. Purchasing options include the soft cover version with your student's picture/name on the front, a hard cover yearbook (personalized and non-personalized) and more. You can pay with a check or through the online site listed on the form https://ybpay.lifetouch.com/Order/SelectJob , ID code 7314022.

All Grade 8 students will receive the personalized enhancement as a gift from the school, commemorating their last year at Mercymount, but please note you must still purchase a yearbook (by June 17th in order to receive the personalization.) 2022 Alumni will be invited to a Yearbook Signing Party in September – watch for the invitations!

For Next Year - Textbooks and Supplies

Mrs. Ready will email parents in the next few weeks with the list of required textbooks for the 2022-2023 school year. Textbooks can be obtained in Rhode Island through your local school department.,the

or for Massachusetts residents, purchased online or through vendors.

Text Book Donations: We welcome donations of used textbooks that are on the current book list. Please consider donating those books back to school for our classrooms, returning or incoming students.

School supplies may be purchased either on your own or through $\frac{1^{st} Day School Supplies}{2}$ program as coordinated by the Parent Association.

We about a month remaining before the ordering deadline of **July 1st**. This is a super easy way to check off your back to school shopping and have the exact teacher approved supplies delivered to your child's classroom this fall.

Ordering details are available on our school website: <u>https://www.mercymount.org/academics/resources#fs-panel-3973</u>

Bids For Kids Update

Thank you to all who celebrated Mercymount's 27th Annual Bids for Kids Auction! The evening was AMAZING and as usual, highlighted the love of Mercymount. The administration, finance, and auction chairs are currently finalizing the numbers; unfortunately, we do not have those numbers as of this

memo. A big thank you to all who made the evening a HUGE success!

Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

Thank you all for contributing to an amazing Teacher Appreciation Day! The food, decorations, desserts and the time together made for a delightful and delicious time off for staff. Thank you to all the parent volunteers, and especially Coordinators Colleen DiPetrillo and Lisa Iannetta.

Donnelly's Uniforms

Be sure to place your order before June 15th to receive 20% off your order & free alterations. Please see the attached the flyer with information on how to order.

Summer Camps

To date, the following camps have been scheduled for the summer. Additional information (including camp hours) are included in the attached flyers. Sign up soon! Spots are limited!

June 13-17	Not Your Average Holiday Camp	Grades K-3
June 13-17	Old Fashion Summer Camp	Grades 4-8
June 20-24	Good Vibes Camp	Grades 3-5
June 20-24	Archery Camp (limit 20)	Grades 4-8 only 2 spots remain
June 27-July 1	Japanese Language & Culture Camp	Grades 4-8
June 27-July 1	Summer Fun Camp (limit 16)	Grades PreK-1
July 11-15	Friendship Camp	Grades K-3

July 18-22	Spanish Camp: Session 1
July 25-29	Chess Camp
Aug 1- 5	Spanish Camp: Session 2
Aug 8-12	Middle School Orientation
	And Study Skills



Grades 4-5 Grades 6-8 Grades 6-8



Frank Luca will be offering his Summer Camps at Mercymount this summer. Please see the attached flyer for the dates/times.



"If the love of God really reigns in your heart It will quickly show itself in the exterior."

Venerable Catherine McAuley