



St. Margaret of Scotland Families:

I cannot thank you enough for the warm reception I received from you during this leadership transition. I am honored and humbled for the opportunity to be a part of such a wonderful school and parish community. I ask for your patience and grace as I continue to learn about this community. I am excited to announce some back to school dates and some new faculty members for the 2023-2024 school year. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. I am thrilled to continue our Mission of creating a diverse and inclusive Catholic school rooted in the teachings of Jesus Christ and Catholic Social Teaching.

Here are the important upcoming school events:

### ***Back to School Dates***

- **August 8th**
  - **Protecting God's Children workshop - 5:00-7:00 pm in the cafeteria.**
  - **Preschool Parent Meeting - 7:00 - 8:00 pm at school**
  - **PTA Meeting - 8:00 - 10:00**
- **August 9**
  - **Kindergarten Parent Meeting 7:00-8:30 pm at school**
- **August 10**
  - **Sixth Grade Parent Meeting and 6th Grade Student Orientation 7:00-9:00 pm at school**
- **August 13**
  - **10:00 Mass and Backpack Blessing**
  - **Back to School open house - 11:00 am - 1:00 pm**
- **August 16**
  - **First day of school/12:15 Dismissal/No Aftercare**
  - **School Board Meeting 7:00 pm**
- **August 17**
  - **First Full day of School/No Aftercare**
- **August 18**
  - **No Aftercare**
  - **Back to school Picnic at Tower Grove Park - 4:00-8:00 pm.**
- **August 21**
  - **Aftercare begins**

I would like to take the opportunity to introduce new staff members:

- Sr. Mary Jo Kremer - Second Grade Teacher Assistant
- Grace Hoover - First Grade Lead Teacher
- Karen Rasure - Middle School Math Teacher
- Melinda Baker - Middle School Science Teacher
- Bridget Dicker - Montessori Preschool Lead Teacher
- Alice Bean - Third Grade Assistant Teacher
- Corey Shorter - Fourth Grade Assistant Teacher/Director of Inclusivity and Diversity
- Stacy Hawley - Lead Preschool Teacher
- Sharon Nealon - Lead Fifth Grade Teacher
- Breon Evans - Middle School Language Arts Teacher
- Laura Wells - Middle School Social Studies Teacher

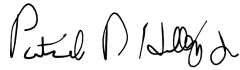
**In the end, it's the beginning that counts.**

- Jessica Ferree - Full-Time Substitute/Fifth grade Teacher assistant
- Alura Berry - Middle School Language Arts
- Lexi Albrect - Preschool Assistant
- Allison Carron - Learning Consultant\*

\*A note on the Learning Lab. We were able to contract a part time learning consultant through Miriam Learning Center. We have Amy Heller returning to support students in the Learning Lab five days a week as well. I will have more details very soon on the make up of the Learning Lab, but I am very happy to have both Allison and Amy working for our students this year.

I look forward to seeing all of you over the next coming weeks and the beginning of the school year. Trust that I am very optimistic that the 2023-2024 school year will be great. I feel honored to be a part of this wonderful community. God Bless.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patrick Holley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P".

Patrick Holley  
Principal