

December 2022

MCA Newsletter



But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:10-11

Upcoming Dates

- Friday, Dec. 2 - Early Release Day at 11:30 am, Teacher Meeting at 12:15 pm
- Monday, Dec. 5 - Subway, Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m. (open to MCA families, teachers, and staff)
- Wednesday, Dec. 7 - Pizza Day
- Monday, Dec. 12 - Subway
- Wednesday, Dec. 14 - Pizza Day
- Thursday, Dec. 15 - Christmas Program at Crossroads Church at 7 pm
- Friday, Dec. 16 - Class Christmas Parties
- Dec. 19-Jan. 2 - No School, Christmas Break

Board Member Spotlight



Cara Beth grew up in Monticello and graduated from Monticello High School. After high school, she moved on to get her degree in Psychology from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She began working nights for Busey Bank in college and never left. After 13 years with the company,

she is now a Vice President at Busey's financial technology subsidiary company, FirsTech, and leads FirsTech operations while also dabbling in product, strategic partnerships, and solutions. Her and her husband Andrew have one son, Noah, who is in Pre-K at MCA. The MCA family is very cherished by Cara Beth and her family, so joining the board was the least

she could do. She is excited about the future of MCA and helping to provide other families and children the same joy, faith, security, and knowledge that MCA has provided the Hunt family. The Hunt's are avid sports fans, love football season, and most of all love cheering on the Cincinnati Bengals and the Fighting Illini basketball team.

Thanksgiving Blessing Outreach



Thank you for your support of our thanksgiving blessing outreach to low income families in our community! A Small Hand Pantry distributed the bags November 17. MCA students and MCA after care students packed 60 bags with corn, green beans, cranberry sauce, stuffing, gravy, mashed potatoes, mushroom soup, and fried onions. Each family will also get a turkey voucher and a roasting pan. MCA students and MCA after care students made thanksgiving cards to put in each bag. We also raised an additional \$300+ to donate to the pantry for other needs that come up. ❤️

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Beef Raffle

We sold 431 tickets. Including the funds raised in 2021 + a very generous donation, we have now raised over \$20,000 towards our intergenerational playground fund.

Sharon Dial won the \$750 gift certificate to Gallagher Farms. Kellen Hammock (kindergarten student) sold the ticket and Sharon Dial is Kellen's grandma!

The board and I are working on next steps regarding a plan to return to the county board for discussions regarding how we can move forward with the playground. We are hopeful that early 2023 will allow some progress forward - stay tuned! :)



Mrs. Weber's Kindergarten Caterpillar Class

What will you remember about the Pilgrim story?

Bennett: The Pilgrims thought the Indians were mean at first, but they ended up being nice because God brought them to help the Pilgrims.

Silas: The Pilgrims had to stay on the Mayflower for 65 days!

James: Some Pilgrims died because of they got sick on their journey.

Henry: They had to eat hard biscuits and beef jerky on their trip.



Chloe: The ship was very crowded and very dark.

Gus: King James told the Pilgrims that they had to worship him, but they did not obey him. They left and came to America to worship our God.

Kellen: Some of the Pilgrims died.

Kenzie: They left England because King James wanted them to worship him. Instead they left and got on a boat called the Mayflower and came to America.

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Mrs. Weber-K - <http://a.co/0OKPQWq>

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