

MLCA NEWSLETTER

CULTURAL EDITION

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WELCOME BACK! moque e



Mr. McCormick teaches 7th and 8th grade Art during Orientation week.

Welcome back to school! In newsletter's first edition of the 2020-2021 school year, we will show you what has been taking place in and around the school this past month. This year is already shaping up to be one of the most memorable ones yet - from HSA-led pool parties, to Orientation week, to the first few weeks of MLCA@Home! In a time when many of us cannot be physically close, we hope this newletter can help connect the students and families of MLCA.

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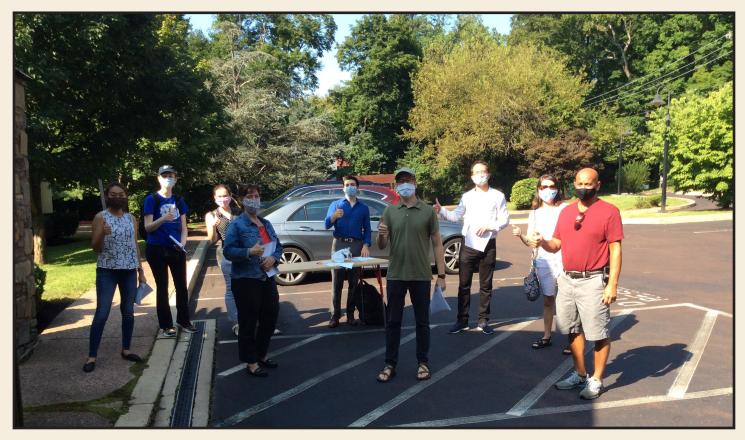
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Mr. Gormley teaches Kindergarten history during Orientation week.

GETTING READY_





Above, teachers review procedures for Orientation week. Left, the Kindergarten classroom is decorated before school begins. Right and below, the faculty have a social the night before school starts.







WELCOME NEW FACULTY

This year, we welcomed new faculty members and we saw some familiar teachers take on new and expanded roles.

- Mr. Philip Cialini will be teaching Latin (grades 4-7/8) and History (grade 5).
- Ms. Julie Fridman will be teaching Programming to grades 4-7/8.
- Dr. Danielle Nagelberg will be teaching Science to grades 3-7/8.
- Mme. Manuela Nselel will be teaching French to grades K-3 and assisting different grades throughout the day.
- Cantor Marshall Portnoy will be teaching Art History; Judaic Studies & Hebrew; and, when we are back to campus, Music Theory to the younger grades.
- Rabbi Tzvi Sinensky will be heading the Gur Aryeh program and teaching Judaic Studies & Hebrew.
- Ms. Emily Woo will be joining us full time this year as younger grades' Assistant Teacher and also as Office Assistant.
- Mr. Gabriel Garfinkle will be joining us as an assistant teacher (when we return to campus).

To read more about our wonderful faculty, old and new, please visit https://www.mainlineclassical.org/mlca-faculty-and-staff.

OUR GRADE MENTORS _



Ms. Emily Woo, Kindergarten and 1st Grade



Dr. Fradkin, 2nd Grade



Mr. Chilbert, 3rd Grade



Mr. Cialini, 4th and 5th Grades



M. Portier, 6th Grade



Dr. Nagelberg, 7th/8th Grades

BACK TO SCHOOL

ORIENTATION WEEK



Above, first graders show they are ready for school. Above right, Dr. Fradkin teaches third grade math. Right, Mme. Nselel teaches second grade French. Below, Mrs. Todd Harper teaches fifth grade art history. Francesco (2nd grade) gets ready for school at home. Bottom left, the fifth grade class is ready for class. Bottom right, Mr. Chilbert shows new students Rio and Kai Singh (3rd grade) to their classroom.

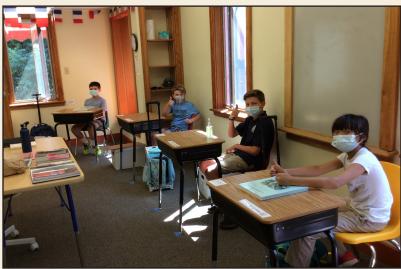
















Anne Martindale, fifth Grade.



Everett Yu, first grade.



Above, Ms. Woo leads the kindergarten in recess games. Below, Mr. Chilbert teaches kindergarten English.





The new school year started off with all grades coming to school for a socially-distanced Orientation Week on September 8-10. Grades K, 2, 4, and 6 arrived had school in the morning from 9 AM -12 PM. Grades 1, 3, 5, and 7/8 had school in the afternoon from 1 PM - 4 PM. During the week, the students were able to meet all of their classmates and teachers, as well as get some fresh air at recess! The entire school community got a taste of what Main Line Classical is all about. New students met their piano teachers on Friday and Saturday (September 11-12). Special thanks to Mrs. Rice, Mr. Chilbert, and all the faculty for making the week run smoothly.

The Mencins and Posners (cousins) pose for their back-to-school picture at home.



M. Portier teaches fourth grade French.



Mr. Gormley teaches sixth grade history.

JEWISH STUDIES





Cantor Portnoy teaches Jewish studies during orientation week, left. Raphi Sommer blows a shofar, above.

CHRISTIAN STUDIES





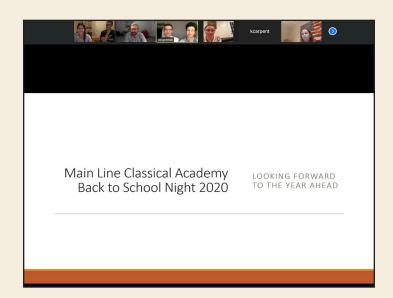
Hosted by a parent, Ms. Woo met her K-3 Christian Studies class in person. The students make posters to help them remember the days of creation. Christian studies continued virtually during MLCA@Home. 4-8 Christian studies met virtually with Ms. Bashore.





BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT _

Back to School Night took place virtually on Sunday September 13th. Parents and faculty joined to hear Head of School Dr. Asya Sigelman and Chairman of the Board Matt Sigelman discuss the vision of the school. That night the faculty also introduced themselves and the classes they teach.





FIRST HSA MEETING -

The First HSA meeting was on Friday, September 11th. Thank you to the following parents have volunteered to be class parents. This year the class parents have been tasked with coordinating grade get-togethers throughout the year to strengthen the school community.

Kindergarten: Ahsiya Mencin

1st: Canan Goktas

2nd: Becky Winfield

3rd: Craig Carpenter & Chloe LePichon

4th: Jessica Todd Harper & Soojin Kwon

5th: Joanne Liao

7/8th: Jessica Todd Harper & Chloe LePichon

We are still looking for a 6th grade class parent. Please contact Becky Winfield (rebecca.harper@gmail.com) if you would like to volunteer.

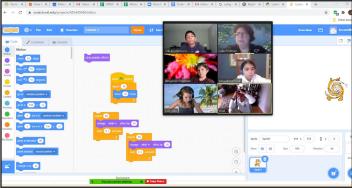
MLCA@HOME















Starting September 14th, the school moved to virtual classes. These photos show MLCA students continuing all their subjects from home- including, but not limited to, English, science, history, programming, French, piano, and art! Some pictures show Kindergarteners who were at school for the Kindergarten Daycare program.



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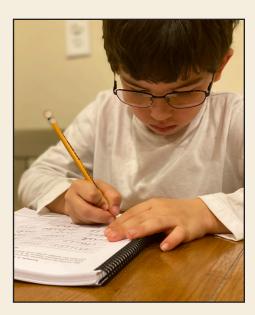














Sample schedule

Start time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00 AM	Latin	Programming		Art	Latin
9:25	Cialini	Fridman	Ter-Saakov	McCormick	Cialini
9:50	Science (9:50-10:20)	Latin	French		Science
10:15	Nagelberg	Cialini	Portier	French	Nagelberg
10:40	History			Portier	
11:05	Cialini				
11:30		French	Science (11:30-12:00)	Math	Math
11:55		Portier	Nagelberg	Ter-Saakov	Ter-Saakov
12:20 PM	English	English	English	Latin	
12:45	Walter	Walter	Walter	Cialini	
1:10					History
1:35	Math				Cialini
2:00	Ter-Saakov	Math		English	Art History
2:25		Ter-Saakov		Walter	Harper
2:50		History		Science (2:50-3:20)	French
3:15		Cialini		Nagelberg	Portier

IN OTHER NEWS _

MATH KANGAROO



We would like to congratulate our Math Kangaroo winners!
Kaylee Lee (grade 4) and Joseph Lee (grade 2) both received 1st place nationally!
The following students were also recognized as national winners: Nicole Fedorov (grade 3), Katie Fradkin (grade 6), Avery Zhang (grade 4).

Math Kangaroo is an international mathematics competition for students in grades 1-12. Its main goals are to instill a love of math from a young age and to encourage creative problem solving.

SCHOOL SPIRIT T-SHIRTS







School spirit t-shirts have arrived! Please contact office@mainlineclassical. org if you have not received your t-shirt or would like another size. Parents can purchase a shirt for \$11.

Special thanks to Maria and Newsa Butterworth for designing the shirt!

MATH OLYMPICS

This was the second year that MLCA students participated in the MOEMS (Mathematical Olympiads for Elementary and Middle Schools) competition. There are two levels of this competition, E for grades 4 to 6 and M for grades 6 to 8.

All students in grades 4 through 6 participated in the level E competition. Out of the 21 participants, 16 received a Patch for placing in the top 40% of all participants nationwide, with 12 of them placing in the top 25%.

Special congratulations go to Katie Fradkin for receiving a perfect score on level E, placing her in the top 2% of all participants. We further congratulate Ari Shpilman, Isabella Greenfield, and Marshall Zafiriou for receiving a Silver Pin, awarded to the top 10% of all participants.

The level M competition was taken by 10 students at the school. Seven of them placed in the top 40% of all participants and received a Patch. Katie Fradkin received a Silver Pin for placing in the top 10% of participants. The next two highest scores were achieved by Ronan Myers and Marshall Zafiriou, who both placed in the top 20% of all participants.









Any submissions (pictures/videos) for the next MLCA Newsletter can be sent to ewoo@mainlineclassical.org. Thanks!

BIRTHDAYS_

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR AUGUST, SEPTEMBER, AND OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS!!

August Rio and Kai Singh 8/8 Avery Zhang 8/9 Ariel Yu 8/17 Anne Martindale 8/22 Sasha Weiner 8/25

September Lilly Sigelman 9/3 June Winfield 9/4 Olympia Collins-Ryle 9/4 Alex Bull 9/12 Olivia Valimaki 9/15 Eva Mencin 9/17



September cont. Kiran Ponnuru 9/22 Tiago Ferreira 9/24 Francesco Grigoli 9/28 Maria Butterworth 9/29

October Ari Shpilman 10/2 Katie Fradkin 10/2 Elea Portier 10/20 Claire Farwell 10/25

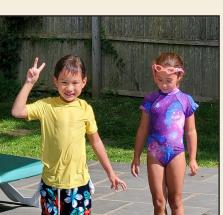
SUMMER POOL PARTIES

THANK YOU TO THE HSA FOR ORGANIZING!



Second Grade







Kindergarten





Seventh/Eighth Grade