Grace and peace, dear parents,

We put a close to another school year at Saint Matthias School. We are very proud of the accomplishments and achievements of our students. This is a reflection of their hard work, the support of parents and the teaching skill and dedication of our staff. We have made some significant strides with some of our school initiatives. However, we know we still have areas in need of improvement. We will continue to work on academic rigor throughout the school with special emphasis on high school readiness in the Middle School. We will continue to build and maintain a healthy and respectful school culture.

I am saddened to bid farewell to many of our school families. I wish them well in their new school environments. For those returning to SMS in September, you will find the staff eager to meet the needs of all students and move our students forward with confidence.

All our teaching staff will be returning. There will be a Middle School staffing change. Mr. Ken Reigle will serve as the 8th grade homeroom, teaching 7th & 8th grade math; while Mrs. Donna Vattelana will be 6th grade homeroom, teaching 6th & 7th grade math. There will be two classes within each grade and students will benefit from extensive professional development the staff will experience this summer. Topics will include, but not be limited to, Lesson Plans for Differentiated Instruction, The Engaged Child, Bullying and Conflict Resolution, The Writing Process and Challenging Curriculum.

As we look ahead at the 2019-2020 year, we as a staff move forward with determination to evaluate our practices and improve our methods. You can look ahead to a healthy, productive year.

Thank you for your partnership with us. I value it. Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

Eileen Brett
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