



**“Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Corinthians 9:7**



### What's Inside ?

#### Timeless Faith, Boundless Future

Join us for St. Constantine & Helen’s 115 year anniversary celebration dinner dance on September 28th at Graven Hall.

#### Playground Underway

Our highly anticipated playground expansion is finally in progress. Upon completion, there will be a rededication ceremony for all to attend.

#### Koraes Eagle Soccer

Koraes Eagle Soccer season is upon us! Come out and support the team at our first home game of the season on September 16th.

#### 8th Annual Koraes Gala

Let’s groove at our 8th annual Gala! This is the largest fundraiser of the year. 100% of proceeds go directly to the school.

#### Donation Opportunities



We are grateful and blessed for our community-wide donors. You are beyond appreciated. If you or anyone you know would like to donate in any capacity, please reach out to [schoolboard@koraes.org](mailto:schoolboard@koraes.org)

### REMARKS FROM THE SCHOOL BOARD AN EXCITING FIRST MONTH

As we approach the close of the very first month of the school year, we want to express our gratitude to everyone for all their cooperation, patience, and encouragement. It has been a busy month, full of safety drills, MAP testing, Curriculum Night, volunteer meetings, field trips, hot lunch, and more. Although we are encountering a few changes this year, things have been running smoothly thanks to you all. Our new hot lunch program began this month with great success and happy bellies! We are incredibly grateful to **Bee Brothers** for their outstanding dedication in ensuring the smooth transition to this program, and for offering such a wide variety of tasty and delicious meal options for our students and staff.

Our first quarter parent volunteer sign-ups went out this month, with an overwhelming amount of eager volunteers. Committee chairs have been selected for the events scheduled for the remainder of 2024. As a reminder to those signed up as lunch monitors, there will be a mandatory meeting held on Wednesday, September 18th at 8:45am or 3:20pm.

The introduction of the new parent association, KFSA (Koraes Family and School Association), is preparing to launch the start of 2025! Be sure to attend the October meeting that will take place, highlighting the many great things this organization has to offer. Date and time coming soon. In the meantime parents and community members are invited to attend our first open school board meeting, Thursday, September 19th at 6:30pm in the Math classroom. There will also be a zoom link provided for parents who cannot attend in person. We look forward to the continued support from our Koraes families throughout the year.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2024						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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- SEPT 14: ALTAR BOY RETREAT (9AM-2PM)**
- SEPT 15: GRAVEN HALL DEDICATION (FOLLOWING LITURGY)**
- SEPT 16: 1ST MIDDLE SCHOOL HOME SOCCER GAME (4:15PM)**
- SEPT 18: HOT LUNCH MONITOR MEETING (8:45AM OR 3:20PM)**
- SEPT 19: 1ST OPEN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING (6:30PM)**
- SEPT 20: TODDLER PLAYGROUP (9AM-10:30AM)**
- SEPT 23: FALL PICTURE DAY (CHURCH UNIFORM REQUIRED)**
- SEPT 28: 115TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION (6:30PM)**
- OCT 4: FAMILY BOWLING NIGHT (6PM-8PM)**
- OCT 7TH: GOAL BASKETBALL STARTS (TIMES TBD)**
- OCT 19TH: 8TH ANNUAL KORAES GALA (6:30PM @ GIBSONS)**



## SPOTLIGHT OF THE MONTH

Koraes is proud to spotlight one of the newest additions to our school family, Mrs. Pam Kostopoulos. Mrs. Pam comes to us from Pythagoras Children’s Academy at St. Demetrios of Elmhurst Greek Orthodox Church, where she taught for 12 years. Prior to that, she worked at St. Alphonsus Catholic School. She is a DePaul University graduate with over 16 years of elementary school teaching experience. We are so blessed to have such an amazing asset to our teaching staff. Χίρατε! Welcome Mrs. Pam!

**DID YOU KNOW?**

**Mrs. Pam is fluent in Greek!**



**NAME: MRS. PAM KOSTOPOULOS**  
**TITLE: 1ST GRADE TEACHER**  
**YEARS AT KORAEES: 1ST YEAR**

## TIMELESS FAITH AND BOUNDLESS FUTURE

Please join us and celebrate 115 years of tradition, faith, and fellowship of the Sts. Constantine and Helen parish! The event will be held on September 28th at 6:30pm in Graven Hall. Tickets are on sale now! Live music by Ormi Orchestra, dinner, dancing, supervised fun for the children in the gym, and our MC, Basile the comedian. This event is for all ages. We hope to see everyone there and look forward to celebrating this milestone event together as one family!

## PLAYGROUND UNDERWAY

The highly anticipated playground expansion is nearing completion! We would especially like to thank all the families who helped raise the money needed for this project at the FunRun 2023. It would not have been possible without your generosity and support! Look for more details on the Playground Rededication Ceremony in the coming weeks. If you are looking for another opportunity to help in the building renovations, the Tickets to Taylor fundraiser is live now through October 19th. Don’t miss out on this opportunity to support a great cause and to see Taylor Swift live.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL EAGLE SOCCER

Middle School Eagle Soccer has begun! Come out and support our school at our first home game on September 16th at 4:15pm on the soccer fields. Show off your Eagle Pride in your school spirit wear and athletic swag! Our team and coaches have been hard at work practicing for the season. Last year, our soccer team had 4 wins, 2 losses, and 1 tie. Let’s see if we can top that this year! Can’t wait to see all the familiar faces out in support of our wonderful team! Concessions will be available at all the home games, and the school athletic wear will be live on Koraes.org soon. Good luck on the season and GO EAGLES!



## 8TH ANNUAL KORAEES GALA

Dust off your platforms, and get out your sequins for a night to remember! The 8th Annual Koraes Gala is on Saturday, October 19th at Gibsons in Oak Brook. This event is for anyone 21 and older. Join us in celebrating the many accomplishments of Koraes School. Please consider purchasing tickets, a sponsorship, an advertisement, or all of the above to directly benefit our beloved school.

This is our largest fundraiser of the year! Any and all support you can show helps in providing a monumental impact on Koraes. All the money raised last year went towards professional development, facility maintenance and improvement, and operating expenses. With this fundraiser, and your support, you are helping to ensure our school is around for the next 115 years. We hope to see you there!