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#### VERSE OF THE MONTH

"But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin." - 1 John 1:7

## What's Inside ?

### **Summer STEAM and Sports Camp**

Registration is now open for Summer STEAM and Sports Camp. All incoming Pre-K 4 through 6th graders are invited to sign up for our two week long program that focuses on sports, science, math, and technology.

## Junior Olympics is on its Way

The annual Junior Olympics is around the corner, with registration open now. Athletes of all abilities are encouraged to sign up and represent team SSCH in the weekend's sporting events.

## **Greek Independence Day & More**

We have been celebrating March 25th over the past few weeks! The Greek Department put on a beautiful program celebrating both the Annunciation of the Virgin Mary and Greece's Independence.

## **Calling All Superheroes**

Let's join forces and help our school reach our \$50,000 goal for this year's 4th Annual FunRun! All students will participate in a friendly run on May 8th to help raise money towards our school's safety.



### **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** 

## REMARKS FROM THE SCHOOL BOARD COUNTDOWN TO PASCHA

Koraes welcomed our staff and families back from spring break with so many exciting things. Our students, parents, and staff traveled to Washington D.C. to visit the Nation's Capitol, taking in all the history of our great United States. There was a tremendous turnout in Greektown celebrating and marching in Greek Independence Day parade. We cannot thank everyone enough for the phenomenal representation of our beloved school and parish. On the school front, students have been hard at work, and will begin MAP testing soon! Teachers and administration are eager to see the tremendous growth and progress the kids have made since the fall. Spring picture day came faster than the springtime weather, but we are hopeful for a beautiful Pascha! Holy Week is approaching, and we want to remind our families that this is a solemn week of reflection and prayer. We will be limiting physical activity in order to help our minds and bodies prepare for the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The students will partake in multiple sacraments throughout the week, including Holy Unction and Holy Communion. With an early send-off on Holy Thursday following our annual Lenten breakfast, we remind our families to refer to the church's Holy Week schedule. There are a variety of opportunities for families to participate during this sacred week. This year, Koraes has been blessed with the opportunity to provide our families and staff with an extended mini Easter break, with hopes everyone returns to school, finishing the month recharged with the light of Jesus. On behalf of the School Board, we want to take this opportunity to wish everyone Kαλή Ανάσταση!

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR UPCOMING EVENTS

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APR 11TH: FAMILY MINISTRY LENTEN RETREAT (6PM) APR 13TH: PALM SUNDAY (SERVICES AT 8:30AM & 10:30AM) APR 16TH: HOLY UNCTION (CHURCH UNIFORM) APR 16TH: LENTEN BREAKFAST (11AM DISMISSAL) APR 18TH: GOOD FRIDAY (NO SCHOOL) APR 20TH: EASTER/AGAPE SERVICE /EASTER EGG HUNT (11AM) APR 21ST: BRIGHT MONDAY (NO SCHOOL) APR 22ND: BRIGHT TUESDAY (NO SCHOOL) APR 23RD: TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS (4PM) APR 24TH: BOOK FAIR /SCHOOL BOARD MEETING (6:30PM) APR 25TH: CAREER DAY (IN SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS) APR 28TH: SCIENCE HEROES (IN SCHOOL FIELD TRIP) MAY 8 TH: FUNRUN 2025 (9AM-12PM)



Featured Photo: Koraes 8th Graders at the 25th of March program!

# **SPOTLIGHT OF THE MONTH**

This month's shining star is Mrs. Shannon Noyes. Mrs. Shannon Dauksza-Noyes has been happily teaching at Koraes, finishing this year out will be her fifth year with the school! She started out on the preschool team in November of 2020 as the preschool 3's teacher and interventionist, and she moved to first grade in the 2023 school year. It has been a wild adventure, but her favorite part of working here is the community built and seeing the students move through the grades and grow as they do. Outside of school she has a passion for animals, as she has multiple pets at home with her husband, Ryan, of almost 4 years. During her free time, Mrs. Shannon enjoys many other passions and interests: art through multiple mediums like painting and drawing, going to concerts, the movies, hiking, and reading. She graduated from Collumbia College of Chicago in 2019, and joined our Koraes team shortly after. Mrs. Shannon loves to explore all different parts of life, and loves to do so surrounded by friends and family.

#### SUMMER STEAM AND SPORTS CAMP

We are happy to announce another year of our summer STEAM and Sports Camp. Registration is open now for all incoming '25/'26 school year Pre-K 4 through 6th grade children. The camp will take place from June 6th through June 20th, Monday through Friday from 9am-3pm. This wonderful camp provides students with the opportunity to learn and have fun during the first few weeks of summer. Staffed by our very own Koraes faculty, kids are able to continue their love for learning even after the school year ends. This camp is open to all, not only parishioners of SSCH or KES students. Bring a friend! Discounted rates are available for incoming registered 2025/2026 Koraes students, with flexible daily and weekly options. Register today before the April 30th price increase. For more information or questions. contact Mrs. Letsos at ALetsos@koraes.org.

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#### JUNIOR OLYMPICS IS ON ITS WAY

The annual Junior Olympics countdown begins! We welcome all stewards of Sts. Constantine and Helen to sign up as an athlete of Christ to represent the 2025 SSCH teams and go for the gold! Athletes of all abilities can sign up to participate in the wide range of sporting events held over Memorial Day weekend. With events in track & field, table tennis, checkers and chess, swimming, soccer, basketball, volleyball, and so much more, there's an opportunity for all! Contact Mr. Theo for more questions, or register with the QR code below. Parents, remember this weekend is your final chance to lock in your family volunteer hours for the remainder of the school year. We invite you to sign up and help at our concessions and grilling station to make these Olympics one for the books! Look out for our signup on PT board coming soon.

2025 Junior Olympics



NAME: MRS. SHANNON DAVKSZA-NOYES TITLE: IST GRADE TEACHER YEARS AT KORAES: S YEARS

#### GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY AND MORE!

The Greek Department has been busy! Last month, our Greek Department put on a beautiful program celebrating the 25th of March, honoring our Theotokos the Virgin Mary and Greece's Independence. This year we added an additional element which highlighted the many cultures shared here at Koraes and how they honor the Virgin Mary on this very sacred feast day. It was a robust presentation filled with culture, history, and Orthodox Faith. On Sunday, April 6th, students, teachers, staff, clergy, and families all gathered in Greektown to represent Koraes School and Sts. Constantine and Helen Church in the annual Greek Independence Day Parade. We had a wonderful turnout with happy faces and gorgeous weather. Thank you to all who came out to support! What an amazing way to showcase our beloved school and honor our traditions.



## **CALLING ALL SUPERHEROES**

**DID YOU** 

**KNOW**?

Mrs. Shannon

worked an

internship at Walt

Disney World in

Florida!

Superheroes wanted! Koraes is calling on all our super students to gear up for this year's 4th Annual FunRun. This year, our fun run is raising money to help beef up our school's safety with sustainable and long-term security solutions. These features include updated door security, internal security devices, and more. With your help, we can reach our goal of \$50,000. Share your personalized student's fundraising page with friends, family, and social media. Fundraising efforts start from now through Fun Run on May 8th (rain date May 15th). Every dollar raised allows students the opportunity to win exciting prizes! The top three classes that raise the most money will also win a class prize. We invite all families to join us in cheering on our super student heroes and participate in a morning of fun. When we join forces, anything is possible!