

Meet Julia Graves! Her favorite part of freshman year was definitely field hockey season because of the team aspect and the warm environment.



Meet Lillian Kearney! Her favorite part of freshman year was being a part of the ski team. She loved how close the ski team was and enjoyed being a part of such an amazing group of girls.



Advisor Update

Happy JUNE, 2023!

Well, this has been quite the year! We have gone through a lot, but I think ultimately this will make us all appreciate the things we take for granted. I'm more appreciative of all the interactions I get to have with you every day we are in school. As we move to the summer, it's a great time to pause and think about what you have learned from this time at home. These pauses in life are RARE and it gives you a chance to slow down and think. I would argue that we shouldn't WANT to return to the old normal. We should be looking for ways to transform ourselves and emerge from this situation as better people. What does that mean for YOU?? Give that some thought over the next couple of months. How can you find more happiness, more peace, more appreciation as we overcome this hurdle. My advice to you is to look at every obstacle life throws at you as a challenge, not a burden. President Franklin Roosevelt once said, "A smooth sea never made a skilled sailor." You become stronger, and a better person, as a result of the tough times that you encounter in life. Remember that as you navigate these uncertain times. Can't wait to see you all soon! Enjoy your summers and stay safe and healthy!

- Ms. Finnegan

Thank You, Class of 2023, for an Unforgettable Freshman Year!

Matt: I just want to thank everyone that has helped and supported all of the class officers this year and say that we couldn't have done it all without you guys. This was a remarkable year and surely one to remember. So thank you all!!!

Connor: This year has been remarkable. I've met so many friends, people I look up to, and found so many ways to help Masco. When we're separated, and feel lonely, we mustn't forget all of the joy, friends, and wonders we've got in the world.

Emmy: Hey class, I know your first year of high school wasn't anything you would've expected. Even for me it has been a pretty scary ride throughout all my classes, and especially with online school. But, I'm so glad I got to spend my time with all of you and I couldn't have done it with anyone else! Keep your heads up!

Maggie: Our class was not granted a normal freshman year by any means, but I still want to thank you all for an amazing year! We have grown together as a class and individually, we should be proud of everything we accomplished this past year. Enjoy your summers!

Stella: This past year was by far one of the best years yet! I want to thank all of you for giving me the opportunity to be your class SAB this past year, as well as this upcoming year. Congratulations! We finished our first year of high school! Have a great summer.

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Hey everyone,

It's Matt, your current class president. I just want to start off by congratulating Brendan Bazazi on becoming the new class president for next year! I am sure that he will do a fantastic job because he is a kind and compassionate person. I would also like to say that this has been one of the greatest years of my life and I would like to thank Ms. Finnegan for being the best class advisor I ever could have asked for. I also want to thank my fellow class officers for making this year truly remarkable. Finally I want to thank everyone who participated and helped out and supported us throughout this journey. Thank you so much!!!

- Matthew Theriault

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JUNE NEWS

Teacher Feature: Mr. O'Cock

MR. O'COCK IS A FANTASTIC TEACHER. MORE IMPORTANTLY, A GREAT FRIEND. NEVER IN HIS CLASS HAS THERE BEEN A DULL MOMENT. NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF HIS LARGER-THAN-LIFE PERSONALITY, BUT ALSO THE FUN-LOVING CLASSROOM ENVIRONMENT HE CULTIVATES. HOWEVER, MR. O'COCK DIDN'T ALWAYS VIEW HIMSELF GOING DOWN AN EDUCATIONAL CAREER PATH. HE ONLY DISCOVERED HIS CONNECTION WITH CHILDREN AFTER HE HAD HIS OWN AND DECIDED TO START TEACHING WHEN HE WAS 40. OVER QUARANTINE, HE'S KEEPING IN CONTACT WITH HIS NOW-ADULT CHILDREN AND A NEW FAMILY MEMBER! A FEW DAYS AGO, HE MET HIS NEWBORN GRANDSON, WHOM HE ADORES. EVEN DURING QUARANTINE, MR. O'COCK IS STILL INVOLVED WITH MUSIC. HE IS VERY ACTIVE IN CHURCH INITIATIVES, AND SINGS IN A PROFESSIONAL CHOIR, "LYRICORA." HIS LOVE OF MUSIC IS NOT CONFINED TO THE BOSTON AREA, AS HE IS ALSO A WORLD TRAVELER! HE HAS BEEN TO SOUTH AFRICA, CHINA, JAPAN, AND BASICALLY EVERY SQUARE MILE OF EUROPE. HE TAKES HIS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ON WORLD TRIPS TO SING, AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, HAVE A GOOD TIME WHILE DOING IT.

DURING QUARANTINE, HE HAS FOCUSED ON A SELF-CARE INITIATIVE AND HAS BEEN WALKING FOR EXERCISE ON A RAIL TRAIL. HE TYPICALLY DOES A MINIMUM OF 10 MILES PER DAY AND HAS LOST 22 POUNDS TO DATE!

MR. O'S CLASSROOM IS A PERFECT REPRESENTATION OF HIS MUSICAL PHILOSOPHY OF "IF IT ISN'T FUN, DON'T DO IT. HE SAYS HE WANTS "STUDENTS TO SING BECAUSE OF WHAT IT DOES TO US PHYSICALLY, EMOTIONALLY, MENTALLY, AND EVEN SPIRITUALLY. IT CHANGES US. UNDERSTANDING BEAUTY IN MUSIC AND ART CHANGES OUR BRAINS. IT BALANCES EVERYTHING ELSE. JUST SING. IF YOU CAN'T SING WELL, SING LOUD, BECAUSE IT'S THE BEST THING YOU CAN DO FOR YOURSELF."

- BY: CONNOR

June Dates



JUNE 15/16: MASCO MATERIAL RETURNS/LOCKER CLEAN-OUT

DROP OFF...

- TEXT BOOKS
- CHROMEBOOKS
- MASCO MUSIC INSTRUMENTS
- LIBRARY/ENGLISH BOOKS

PICK UP...

- ITEMS FROM LOCKER (STAFF WILL BAG THIS AND HAVE IT FOR YOU, CURBSIDE)

****DETAILS WILL BE SENT VIA EMAIL****

JUNE 16: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!

JUNE 20: FIRST DAY OF SUMMER

JUNE 21: FATHER'S DAY

FRESHMAN FEATURE

MEET HUDSON WEIDMAN!



Hudson Weidman is a freshman at Masco. He moved here in the summer before sixth grade and as soon as he stepped foot in school everyone knew that he was special. He's a born leader and a remarkable person. He's very intelligent, especially when it comes to sports and he is one of the kindest people I have ever met. In addition to all of this, he may be the single best athlete to attend Masco. Not only did he make the varsity team for both football and basketball, but he was also a starter on both teams. Hudson is truly a remarkable person and Masco was lucky to have him! - By: Matt