

# SBS Newsletter

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## First Day of School

Our school year begins on Wednesday, August 23. That day will be a shortened day, ending at 12:30 PM. The rest of the week will also end at that time. Here's to a successful new school year!

## Staff Retirements

It is with gratitude tinged with sadness that we announce that **Mrs. Pat Cosentino**, the fifth grade teacher, **Mrs. Yadira Butcher**, the third grade teacher, and **Mrs. Patty Watsabaugh**, have retired from our school. We wish them nothing but success and enjoyment in their new ventures, and are grateful and blessed by their many years of service to the community of St. Bridget of Sweden school.

## New Office Staff Member(s)

The office position has not been filled as of yet. More time is needed to ascertain the parameters of this job, as this position entails various duties that now need to be carefully looked at and considered.

## New Fifth Grade Teacher

**Amanda El Khoury** is an alumni from St. Bridget of Sweden. She has earned two bachelor degrees and a Master's Degree in Literature with a focus placed on Medieval and Renaissance Literature along with Digital Writing. She has also taught English at California State University, Northridge. She will be teaching 8th grade English as well as her regular subjects in 5th grade. Amanda sends this message: "I'm very excited to begin this upcoming school year and look forward to helping each student reach their highest potential!" Welcome Ms. El Khoury!

## New Third Grade Teacher

**Angelica Spaccarelli** is also an alumni from St. Bridget of Sweden, where she was a high achiever both academically and in the student council, and also graduated from Bishop Alemany High School. She earned a degree in Human Development at University of California, Davis, with an emphasis on Child Development and Linguistics. She has worked with children of all ages, and looks forward to incorporating technology in the classroom. Angelica sent the following: "I look forward to starting this new school year and meeting you all!" Welcome Ms. Spaccarelli!

Here's to a Successful 2017-18 School Year!