



Mission Statement

Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School, serving students in the eight sponsoring parishes of the region in grades pre-kindergarten to eight, is dedicated to excellence in education by developing life-long learners and leaders. We foster a faith-filled environment in partnership with families, emphasizing reverence, respect, and personal responsibility in the traditional spirit of Christian teaching.

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The following Scriptural Reflection and prayer was recently sent out to Catholic school administrators by Dr. De Angelo.

*Clean house in my heart. Let the words of my mouth find favor with you, Lord.
Let the thoughts of my heart be loving and just.
Psalm 19:15*

*Lord, there are thoughts renting space in my heart, a place where they've no right to be.
And too many words spill from my lips before I consider their meaning.*

*Clean house in my heart and sweep away all but the thoughts that are pleasing to you.
Place a guard at my lips and govern my speech, lest I do any harm with my words.
Let the words of my mouth find favor with you, Lord;
Let the thoughts of my heart be loving and just.
Good Morning, Good God!*

Fr. Austin Fleming, The Concord Pastor

Dear Parents and Guardians,

DANCE-A-THON AND FALL FESTIVAL

Attention Parents: You children's wristband were sent home in your Thursday Folder, please make sure they have them if they are attending the Fall Festival with another parent. If you still need to purchase a wristband they will be for sale starting at 3:00 p.m. in front of the school.

KISS BUDDY THE DONKEY FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT HURRICANE FLORENCE RELIEF

This year during the Fall Festival participants will have the opportunity to help our friends at St. Mark's Catholic School in Wilmington, NC rebuild after the devastating flooding from Hurricane Florence. When we spoke to their Advancement Director earlier this week, 22 families were still not able to go back to their homes. Their community will need a lot of resources and prayers to rebuild. Vote for the teacher or administrator you would like to see kiss Buddy the Donkey by donating to their cup. Whoever raises the most money will have to pucker up!

CAR RAFFLE KICK-OFF!

Through the kindness and generosity of Selbyville Holly Kia, MBS is again raffling off a car. This year's prize is a 2019 5-Door Kia Rio or \$10,000 CASH. One of our MBS families won last year!! We are kicking off the sale of these tickets at the Fall Festival. Tickets this year are \$5 each, \$20 for 5 or \$50 for 13. Proceeds benefit the technology development fund of MBS. This gives us the ability to purchase more tablets for our third through eighth grades and enables teachers to utilize a one-to-one digital technology ratio within daily instruction. The drawing will be held at STREAM Night, May 22, 2019.

Tickets will be sent home soon. We are asking our families to help sell tickets again this year. There will be exciting prizes for top sellers!

WINTER UNIFORM START DATE

November 1 will be our first day for winter uniforms. Please consider checking the used uniform store before purchasing new items. We have a very large inventory. Each item is priced at \$5 and we offer a piece by piece exchange. The store is open on Mondays and Fridays from 7:30 am - 3:30 pm. If you need to order from Flynn O'Hara, please remember to give them time to embroider and ship. Their website is <https://www.flynnohara.com>.



HELP SUPPORT OUR 8th GRADE CLASS!!

The wreath fundraiser is back! Wreaths are already being delivered for the fall season. Help support the Class of 2019 by purchasing a wreath, centerpiece or garland, we will get 20% of your purchase. Order forms are being sent home in the Thursday folders. These pieces are sent directly to the recipient and are beautifully made by Lynchcreek

Farm. Wreaths are the perfect gift for that hard to shop for person. Enjoy!
www.lcffundraising.com/c/150770

NURSES SUITE

Health Room Policies:

- **Illness:** Children who stay home for three or more days need a doctor's note to return to school.
- **Fevers:** MBS requires a student to be 24 hour fever free without fever reducing medication before returning to school.
- **Strep throat/Scarlet Fever:** Students must remain home for at least 24 hrs after onset of antibiotic treatment. Students must have a doctor's note to return to school.
- **Pink eye:** Students must remain home until they have received 3 doses of eye drops. Students must have a doctor's note to return to school.
- **Head Lice:** Students must be treated and be nit-free. Students must come in with their parent and be examined by the nurse before they are able to return to class.
- **Medications:** NO medications (over the counter or prescription) will be administered without a written prescription from the primary care provider.
- **Diarrhea/vomiting:** Students must stay home for a minimum of 24 hours or until symptoms cease.

All of the policies are listed in the Family handbook on pages 14-15.

And please remember:

- If a student has an appointment with their physician and receives immunizations, please provide updated documentation to the nurse.

ATHLETICS



Recent Results:

Co-Ed Golf v. The Country School (Away)- L

Co-Ed Golf v. Sts. Peter and Paul (Home)- W

UPCOMING MATCHES:

Co-Ed Soccer:

Monday, 10/22 4:00PM: Home v. Worcester Prep (Girls Only)

Thursday, 10/25 4:00PM: Away v. Delmarva Christian-Milton (Dismissal at 2:30pm)

Saturday, 10/27 9:00AM-1:00PM: Delmarva Christian High School Tournament-
Georgetown, DE

Girls Volleyball:

Tuesday, 10/23 4:00PM: Away v. Holly Grove (Dismissal at 2:30pm)

Thursday, 10/25 4:00PM: Away v. Delmarva Christian (Dismissal at 2:25pm)

Saturday, 10/27 9:00AM-2:00PM: Delmarva Christian High School Tournament-
Georgetown, DE

Co-Ed Golf:

None

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS- SOCCER SHOOT OUT- 10/24/2018:

The Knights of Columbus will be here on Wednesday, October 24th for their annual Soccer Shoot Out. If your child is in Grade 1-8, please make sure they have returned their participation form. Also, please make sure they wear their P.E. uniform and a good pair of athletic shoes on Wednesday, October 24th.

WINTER SPORTS INFO MEETING- 11/8/2018:

For those students/parents interested in winter sports (basketball), we will hold an info meeting after school on Thursday, November 8th at 3:25pm in the MBS Gymnasium.

FALL SPORTS RECOGNITION- 11/9/2018:

We will recognize our fall athletes on Friday, November 9th at 9:00am in the MBS Cafeteria. Parents are encouraged to attend.

COMPLETE YOUR FIP HOURS AND STAY ACTIVE!!!- HELP WITH BASKETBALL:

We are looking for some parents to help with our basketball practices and games. Please email John Haskell at jhaskell@mbscs.org if you need to complete some FIP hours. We can find a time and place that works with your schedule. Thank you.

COUNSELING CORNER



This week I met with Pre 3 and Pre 4. We did a lesson on kindness and friendship. We read a book, "A Splendid Friend, Indeed". We then discussed kind words using cotton balls and sandpaper. We discussed how the way we speak can help others and sometimes hurt others. We used some pictures to decide if the actions shown were children using

cotton ball words or sandpaper words. We discussed the importance of treating everyone with kindness and love.

Attn: Middle School Parents

We are asking that our Middle School Students give 25 hours of community service over their 3 years in middle school, before they leave the 8th grade and move onto HS. I have discussed this with our middle school and given them copies of the form that will need to be signed to verify hours. We will give volunteer opportunities in the News and Muse as we hear of them. Parents, please let me know if you have any questions about this. tgabbard@mbscs.org

LIBRARY CORNER

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming November 5-9! Watch for volunteer opportunities!

IMPORTANT DATES

October

19th
22nd

Fall Festival, 3:00- 6:00 p.m.
Showell Volunteer Fire Department, 8:30 a.m.

24th Knights of Columbus Shoot Out, grades 1-8
25th Parent Conferences - 4:00-6:00 p.m.
26th 12:10 Dismissal - Parent Conferences - 1:00-6:00 p.m.

PARISH NEWS

St. Ann

Donut Sundays are back at St. Ann's Church in Bethany...please join your fellow parishioners after the 10:30am Mass for FREE delicious donuts from Hocker's, hot coffee and fresh orange juice. Dates for 2018/19 are: 10/14, 11/11, 12/9, 1/13, 2/10, 3/10, and 4/14.

We need families to volunteer to help set up, serve, and clean up so if you would like to help, please email Anne Flaherty at annemvogel@aol.com
You can earn FIP hours as well.

St. John Neumann

Parents of 8th Grader Confirmation Candidates:

We will leave from the front of the church at 7:00AM for our field trip to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC this Saturday. You can bring a lunch or purchase one there. FYI There will be no stops going to or coming home from the trip.

Parents of 2nd graders: Our next parent only session for the newbies will be Sunday 4 November beginning at 10AM in the cafeteria. Fr. Cocucci will be presenting.

Attention 6th, 7th & 8th graders: Our youth will be gathering for another night of fun, games, music and pizza. We will meet on 2 November from 6-8PM in the church library. Please join us and bring a friend or Two! Contact Gillian Tishuk to RSVP so that we know how much pizza to get. 630-901-3257

TWELFTH ANNUAL SAINT JOHN NEUMANN WOMEN'S RETREAT

"Many Gifts, One Spirit": Graced and Grateful

The 12th Annual Saint John Neumann Women's Retreat will be held January 25-27, 2019 at the Dunes Manor Hotel located on 28th Street in Ocean City. Our Retreat Facilitator this year will be Sr. Clare A. D'Auria OSF, a Sister of St. Francis of Philadelphia, Aston, PA, who currently ministers as a staff member at the Franciscan Spiritual Center in Aston, Pennsylvania. For half of her fifty years in ministry, Clare has traveled throughout the United States and abroad, offering directed and conference retreats, especially focused on topics in Franciscan spirituality. A certified spiritual director, her other ministerial experience has included congregational and provincial leadership, secondary and collegiate education, and a variety of additional administrative roles both within and outside of her congregation.

Her message will center on "Many Gifts, One Spirit": Graced and Grateful. She is a

gifted speaker who will lead us to explore how St. Paul reminds us that, throughout our lives, we are being transformed by the Spirit of God, a Spirit that is always "helping us to recognize the gifts God has given us" (1 Cor 2: 12). The entire cost of the weekend which includes three meals on Saturday, one on Sunday, snacks and materials is \$305 for a private room, \$215 per person for double occupancy, \$190 for a triple, \$180 for a quad, and \$135 for the four meals, materials and not staying overnight. For registration and additional information, please contact Nancy Groves 410-208-2854 or ngroves@stjnrcc.com.

St. Jude the Apostle

Little Disciples has started up for the school year during the 10:30 AM mass. Little Disciples is a presentation of the Liturgy of the Word for children 3-6 years old during the 10:30 AM Mass on Sundays. The program includes songs and crafts related to the Gospel of the day told in story form. No registration is required.

St. Luke's Parish

18th Annual Christmas Bazaar
Saturday, November 10, 2018
St. Andrew Catholic Center
9:00am - 3:00pm

Vision Statement

Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School provides rigorous and technologically relevant instruction that is intentionally integrated with Catholic identity. Together, as Pastors, administrators, teachers and parents, we nurture the development of the mind, the body, and the soul, in each of our students. Our students are able to make sound decisions based upon the teachings of Jesus Christ and modeled upon the lives of the saints. As a faith and learning community, we teach students a passion for the truth and a love for discovery and knowledge. Our students are prepared to relate their Catholic faith to their culture and actively live their faith as members of the greater community.