



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 lifelong 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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"And raising his eyes toward his disciples he said; Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours. Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice and leap for joy on that day! Behold, your reward will be great in heaven. For their ancestors treated the prophets in the same way. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. But woe to you who are filled now, for your will be hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now, for you will grieve and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for their ancestors treated the false prophets in this way."

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Nursery Rhyme Performance



This week, Pre-K 3 held a nursery rhyme performance for families and friends. Children performed *Twinkle Twinkle*, *Jack and Jill*, *Humpty Dumpty*, *Little Miss Muffet*, *I'm a Little Teapot* and *Hey Diddle Diddle*. Thank you to all of the families who showed their support for our Pre-K 3 friends.

100th Day of School







On Thursday, February 7th students celebrated the 100th day of school. Many grades participated in this special celebration.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS FOR DIOCESAN and MBS TUITION ASSISTANCE IS MARCH 1, 2019

The Diocese of Wilmington has been accepting tuition assistance applications for the 2019-2020 school year since December 2018. Tuition assistance through the Diocese of Wilmington is provided to children attending grades K-12. <u>Last year 7 of our families qualified and received over \$28,000.00 in tuition support.</u>

To be considered for assistance, parents must submit an online application before March 1st, to FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment for evaluation at www.online.factsmgt.com/aid. FACTS representatives are available to guide parents through the application process and to answer any questions at 1-866-441-4637. Pre-school, before and after care are not funded through this program.

Completed applications, including all supporting documentation such as tax forms are due March 1st. Applications that are submitted <u>after that date will NOT be</u> considered for assistance.

PLEASE REMEMBER: ALL families who wish to be considered for MBS assistance must complete and submit the FACTS application.

RE-REGISTRATION FORMS ARE DUE NOW

Thank you to all the families that sent in their re-registration forms! It's not too late to submit your form. We are currently working on the tuition rates for the next academic school year and this is a major component in determining those rates. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to stop in, call or email Amanda Evans. Your continued support of our school is appreciated so much.

15 YEAR GALA CELEBRATION

Our 15 Year Gala is quickly approaching!! The Gala is going to be a great event. We will have live entertainment, featuring Monkee Paw, fabulous foods from around town with a few great headliners. The Live & Silent auction items are going to be great with a special auction for everyone to enjoy. The special auction item is called Bubbles & Bling. Yes, Bubbles & Bling....I hear champagne and diamonds in that title! You don't want to miss this event.

As you all know, part of the event's success relies on the Live & Silent Auctions & Event Sponsorships. We are still in need of auction items - including but not limited to concert and sports tickets, trips - airlines miles, timeshares, hotel stays, paddleboards, surf lessons, sunset cruises, charter fishing trips, and gift certificates. Consider making a donation or asking a local business that you frequent for one. No item is too big or too small and we thank you for your generosity. Because of our amazing MBS families, the 15 year Gala will be a tremendous success. For donation information, please contact Colleen Rutzler@cdrutzler@gmail.com.

Event sponsorships are now available!! It is a great way to advertise a local business while supporting MBS. In today's folder, you will find information on the various levels of sponsorships available. For more information on sponsorships, please contact Robyn Bosley at robynbosley@gmail.com

Gala Letter
Gala Corporate Sponsor Form
Gala Poster
Donation Letter

Professional Development







As part of our ongoing training in the area of student and staff safety, MBS faculty participated in an on-site training to learn proper response procedures regarding injuries that result in heavy bleeding. Four nurses, trained by PRMC, gave a hands-on lesson on how to properly apply tourniquets and how to pack and compress a bleeding wound.

Rainy Day Pick-up

When lining vehicles up for rainy day pick up, please, please, please form the vehicle line just as we do on a regular day.

Please do not line up the vehicles in the driveway closest to the building. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

CAR RAFFLE

More dates have been added to earn FIP hours by selling tickets throughout our community. Sign up at the following link, https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4fa8af29aafa7-carraffle.



We are blessed by the kindness and generosity of Selbyville Holly Kia. This year's prize is a 2019 Kia Rio or \$10,000 CASH. One of our MBS families won last year!! Tickets this year are \$5 each, \$20 for 5 or \$50 for 13. Proceeds benefit the technology developmentfund of MBS. The drawing will be held at STREAM Night, May 22, 2019. Tickets are currently on sale in the office and through this link: http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event? ltr=xryz7ocab&oeidk=a07efunam700a691365.



We are in full swing of the flu season. Doctors say the best way to prevent getting the flu is to get the flu shot. It takes two weeks after receiving the vaccination for the body to fully develop the antibodies to fight the flu virus. Health officials state it is still NOT TOO LATE to get the flu shot. Multiple pharmacies and health clinics offer this vaccination for free or for a minimal fee.

Some symptoms of the flu may be abrupt fever that can last 3-4 days, complaints of feeling achy and having the chills and unusual weakness and fatigue. If your child is ill and you suspect the flu, please have the child evaluated by their physician.

Children who test positive for the flu virus are usually out of school for a week. If you do not have your child evaluated and they return to school too early, you are putting your child at risk for contacting other viruses and exposing other school children to the flu virus. If your child tests positive for the flu, please notify the school nurse before the student returns to school. As always we recommend thorough hand washing, getting enough sleep and healthy eating to help your body fight any infection.

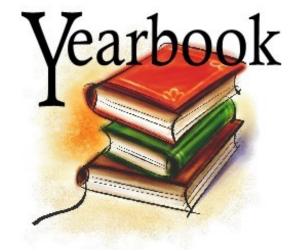


COUNSELING CORNER

This week I met with Pre-3 and Pre-4. We started learning some ways to calm down. We discussed ways to breathe and relax when we feel scared, worried, or angry. We discussed and practiced having mindful moments with God. Parents, let your little one show you some new ways to "chill." We all need to practice these skills. Let's work together to help each other and be a model to our children when times feel stressful.

Service Hours - 8th grade

We ask each 8th grader to have 25 hours of Service before they leave MBS. Please talk with your 8th grader about this. If you have any questions, please email me at tgabbard@mbscs.org.



Photographers! Share your talents! Check off your FIP hours! We are looking for someone to photograph our school teams and extracurricular student groups for the yearbook. If you have photography experience and are willing to help, please contact Mrs. Vermillion. (nvermillion@mbscs.org)
Thank you!



UPCOMING MATCHES:

None

WINTER SPORTS RECOGNITION- 2/22/2019:

We will recognize our winter athletes on Friday, February 22nd at 9:00am in the MBS Cafeteria. Parents are encouraged to attend.

RETURN OF BASKETBALL JERSEYS:

Please return any basketball jerseys from the winter season. If you have a volleyball or soccer jersey from the fall season, we will gladly take those as well.

SPORTS FEE PAYMENT:

Please pay any outstanding sports participation fees. We adopted a new \$40/\$20/\$10 fee structure for sports at the start of the academic year. Participation in your first sport of the academic year is \$40, participation in your second sport of the academic year is \$20 and participation in your third sport of the academic year is \$10. Please understand the new fee structure was adopted so we can provide more games and playing opportunities to our student-athletes. Keeping athletics affordable and accessible is important to us. If you have not yet paid your sports

fees, please do.

BLIZZARD BAGS

In anticipation of inclement weather and subsequent unsafe road conditions that would cause us to close school, our school has implemented the "Blizzard Bags" program. Children will bring home their Blizzard Bags that contain assignments to be completed on those days on which school is closed for weather related reasons. Each child is expected to complete the assigned work and return it to his/her teacher when school resumes. In doing so, we will not be required to "make-up" the days missed. It is very important that all students complete the assignments as provided. Your cooperation in assuring that assignments are completed is very much appreciated. If a student has difficulty with an assignment, the parent is asked to communicate with the child's teacher so that guidance may be provided and additional time for completion will be given. Thank you!

EMERGENCY CLOSINGS AND DELAYS

As in the past, parents and guardians will be notified of emergency closings and delays through our School Messenger notification system. Because of this, it is VERY IMPORTANT that we have your updated contact information as soon as possible. In the case of delayed openings or school closing, parents will receive a recorded phone call and a text message on their cell phones. In the case of an emergency early dismissal, calls will be made to the parent's landline, cell and emergency numbers. Calls regarding delayed openings and school closing will be made by 5:15 a.m. Closings and delays will also be posted on WBOC, WMDT, and Froggy99.

IMPORTANT DATES

February

15th 12:10 Early Dismissal

18th Presidents Day, NO School

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 2019 are: 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 2nd Graders

preparing for the sacraments: Our next gathering will be our 1st Reconciliation Workshop on Saturday, 2 March at MBS from 9AM - 12 Noon. Both a parent and your child receiving the sacrament must attend. Any questions or concerns please call Nancy at 410-208-2854 or ngroves@stjnrcc.com

Confirmation 2019: Our next gathering will be Sunday 10 March same time and place.

St. Jude the Apostle

PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW - Come join the St. Jude The Apostle garden committee at the Philadelphia Flower Show on Friday, March 8, 2019. This year's theme is "FLOWER POWER" the Power of Flowers.

Tickets are \$65 and includes admission, bus fare and driver's tip. The bus will leave St. Jude's parking lot at 11 AM and return around 8 PM. For tickets and information please call Jean Stewart at 302-644-2890.

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.