



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.

September 26, 2019

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*Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord;
let us acclaim the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us joyfully sing psalms to him.
Psalm 95*

Dear Parents and Guardians,

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



On Thursday, October 3rd at 2:20 p.m. our school will host a Blessing of the Animals prayer service on the school lawn adjacent to the Prayer Garden. Families are invited to bring their pets for a blessing and prayer. Attendees are asked to please park in the St. John Neumann parking lot. All pets should be leashed or caged. Students will be dismissed by their teacher following the prayer service.



LOOK WHAT'S POPPING WITH HSA!! September 26, 2019

Our annual **MBS FALL FESTIVAL & DANCE-A-THON** is coming up **OCTOBER 4, 2019**. Fall Festival is open to everyone so invite your family, friends, neighbors and community members.

[Fall Festival/Dance-a-thon Information](#)

- We have **ONE** more day to get our CORPORATE SPONSORS for the Dance-a-thon. Corporate Sponsors are due tomorrow September 27, 2019 to ensure that the sponsor's logo is printed on the backpacks (cinch sac). Students and families will still have a few days to turn in non-corporate sponsorships. Please consider asking local business to support us as we raise funds for our school. Remember every dollar we raise helps our school reach its highest potential! The monies raised go towards the education of our students. We are looking forward to a fun and exciting event for our students, families and the community members.

Every child that raises **\$60.00 or more** will receive an MBS cinch backpack.

The **top seller** for the Annual Fall Festival/Dance-a-thon will have the **CHOICE** between and **APPLE WATCH** or **APPLE iPad**.

HSA is excited to announce a **NEW** prize incentive this year. Every class that has **4 or more business sponsorships** will receive a **Chick-fil-A lunch!**

Bake Sale Information

It's BAKE SALE TIME!! All bake sale items should be brought in at drop off on October 4th. Please see flyer in this week's folder for more details. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kristin Coane at kmaco709@gmail.com.

If you would like to volunteer to help with the Fall Festival, please contact Kristen Littleton at klittleton@mbscs.org. [Bake Sale Flyer](#)

HSA Concessions

****NEW**** HSA is excited to announce another new fundraiser for MBS! We will have concessions for all of our home games. The concession stand will have drinks, chips, snacks, fresh popcorn, fresh PHILLY pretzels and much more! We are looking for volunteers to help us make this fundraiser a success. Also, any 6th-8th grade student who would like to volunteer for concessions may participate. All students who volunteer will get service hours. If you have any questions or would like to help please contact Nichole Behornar at n.behornar@verizon.net.

See Flyer in Thursday Folder!

UNIFORM CHANGE TO COLD WEATHER

On November 1st, students should wear the cold weather uniform as detailed in the Family Handbook.

USED UNIFORM STORE

We plan to have the used uniform store open during the Fall Festival. This will be a great opportunity to pick up some items for the November 1st uniform change to the cold weather uniform. Mrs. Christine Seltzer has volunteered to run the shop and

would love at least one more parent to help her. It's a great way to earn your FIP hours! Check and cash only for this event.

BACK TO SCHOOL BOX TOPS

Our school collects Box Tops! We are raffling a basket for Box Tops submitted in the month of September. For every 10 Box Tops for Education that are turned in, your family will receive an entry for a chance to WIN a Back To School Breakfast Basket! See the flyer in today's Thursday folder.



SCHOOL DELAYS/CLOSINGS



Should it be necessary to delay, cancel or dismiss children early due to weather or any other emergency situation, parents will be notified by the School Messenger Notification System. Due to bus schedules, calls informing of cancellation or delay must be made BEFORE 6:00 a.m. Please be sure that we have your current phone number at which you wish to receive the notification calls.

YOU CAN ALWAYS CHECK ON WBOC TV, THE WBOC WEBSITE or WMDT FOR CLOSINGS!



FROM THE HEALTH ROOM

Many children are struggling with the changes and the routine of school. Students are presenting with headaches and stomach pains and fatigue. Please encourage healthy eating. Good grades, a good attitude and a good day at school all start with breakfast. Our children need a chance for food to wake them up

and fuel their brains and bodies to learn and stay healthy. Hydration is also key for success. Studies show proper hydration does more than just quench your thirst. It helps our cells carry oxygen and nutrients which keep us healthy and alert. When the body is dehydrated it can cause the brain to temporarily shrink causing headaches. Students may bring a water bottle with them to school. There are several water stations for refills in our school. Sleep is important for success in school as well. Guidelines from the American Academy of Pediatrics state that children age 6-12 are recommended to get 9 to 12 hours of sleep at night and students aged 13-18 years old need 8 to 10 hours of sleep every night. Children who get enough sleep have a healthier immune system, better school performance, better behavior and mental health. Encourage your students to eat well, stay hydrated and get plenty of rest at night.



ATHLETICS

RECENT RESULTS:

Co-Ed Soccer: Monday, September 23, 2019 - Away @ St. Francis- L

Girls Volleyball: Tuesday, September 24, 2019 - Home v. Lighthouse- W

UPCOMING GAMES:

Co-Ed Soccer: Monday, September 30, 2019 - 4:00PM Away @ Lighthouse Christian

Girls Volleyball: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 - 4:00PM Away @ Epworth

Co-Ed Golf: Tuesday, October 8, 2019 - 4:00PM Away v. St. Francis (Green Hill)

HSA CONCESSIONS:

The HSA is now selling concessions at our home soccer and volleyball games! During a break in the action, please go over and purchase a thirst-quenching beverage or a yummy snack. All funds go to the HSA fund and MBS athletics. If you can volunteer at the concession stand, please email me at jhaskell@mbscs.org.

AWAY GAME PROCEDURES:

A player at dismissal time cannot make transportation arrangements without a dialogue first taking place beforehand between parents/guardians. Please contact another parent/guardian before dismissal time if you cannot transport your child

to an away game. If you are helping transport players to an away game, please follow the below procedures:

- (1) Arrive at MBS 5-10 minutes before game dismissal time
- (2) Park out in front of the school on the outer road (not the fire lane)
- (3) Check in with Ms. Higgins in the front office
- (4) Sign out the players who will be riding in your car
- (5) Make sure the players in your car have all their belongings
- (6) Accompany and supervise the players at the host facility until our coach has arrived

Please email me at jhaskell@mbscs.org if you have any questions.



COUNSELING CORNER

This week I met with grades 3, 4 and 5. We had introductions for the year. We discussed setting goals and working to achieve them. We discussed using eye contact with everyone we talk to and how this shows respect to one another. We did a kindness activity and will collaborate with Mrs. Gunther in library to carry out this activity.



LIBRARY NEWS

We are less than a week away from our first Book Fair of the school year. Each student has been sent home with their Book Fair flyers. Please look it over with your child, they are very excited about the new books that are coming to the Library. Also, check out the e Wallet program. This program allows you to add funds to an account for your children to use the week of the fair. That means you will not have to send cash or a check into school with your child. It is easy to use, just follow this

link <https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/cptoolkit/homepage.do?method=homepage&url=mostblessedsacramentschool2>.

On our homepage you will be able to access the e wallet and the volunteer schedule. There are lots of opportunities to volunteer during the week to earn FIP hours so PLEASE check out the schedule, we need your help! If you plan to order books online make sure to go through our book fair homepage. We will only receive scholastic rewards from books ordered through the fair homepage. Any questions please contact Mrs. Gunther at cgunther@mbscs.org.

The Storybook Pumpkin Patch is almost here. Monday, September 30th and Tuesday October 1st we will be accepting pumpkins in the cafeteria. There will be an entry form this week in your child's take home folder. I know many of the students have already started thinking about their pumpkins. There will be prizes for each category winner. Please be creative and remember this is a fun contest for the children. Winners will be announced on Thursday, and pumpkins are to be picked up Friday Oct 4th. Any questions please contact Mrs. Gunther.

IMPORTANT DATES

October

1st	Volleyball vs Epworth Christian, Away, 4 p.m.
3rd	Blessing of the Animals
4th	Fall Festival
8th	Golf vs St. Francis, Away, 4 p.m.
9th	Soccer vs Worcester Prep, Away, 4 p.m. Golf vs Saints Peter & Paul, Home, 4 p.m.
10th	Volleyball vs Salisbury Christian, Home, 4 p.m.
11th	12:10 Dismissal Students, Teacher Professional Development
14th	School Closed - Columbus Day

PARISH NEWS

St. John Neumann

Parents of SJN 2nd graders - potential 2020 Sacramental candidates: We begin our formation year on Sunday October 6, 2019 with a parent only meeting at 10 a.m. in the MBS cafetorium. ALL parents of eligible 2nd graders must attend this meeting. Please let me know ASAP if your child will be participating so that I can order the proper amount of materials. The materials fee of \$35 for the sacrament of Reconciliation will be due at this first meeting. I will be using REMIND to keep you abreast of what is going on with the formation so please provide me with the cell number to which you would like to receive these messages.

We will also continue the tradition of the children having their bulletin signed after attending Mass each Sunday and placed in the marked box in the SJN library on the counter to the left as you enter.

Thanks so very much for your immediate attention to these matters. Nancy Groves

410-208-2854 ngroves@stjnrcc.com

Parents of SJN 8th graders - potential 2020 Confirmation Candidates: We begin our formation year on September 29, 2019 at the 11:30 Mass of Enrollment. If your child is going to take part in the formation kindly register at the parish office or email me. The Confirmation materials' fee is \$75 and a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate is also needed if I do not already have it on file. Please let me know ASAP if your child will be participating so that I can order the proper amount of materials. I will be using REMIND to keep you abreast of what is going on with the formation so please provide me with the cell number to which you would like to receive these messages.

We will also continue the tradition of the candidate getting their bulletin signed after attending Mass each Sunday and placed in the marked box in the SJN library on the counter to the left as you enter.

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St. Jude the Apostle

Catholic Diocese of Wilmington-Annual Marian Pilgrimage October 5, 2019

National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Washington, D.C.

All are welcome to join us for a day of peace with Our Lady, Queen of Peace! The day will include reflections, confessions, Adoration and Mass with Bishop Malooly and many Diocesan Priests!

A bus is leaving St Jude The Apostle parking lot at 7:00 a.m. (park your vehicle by Christian Formation Center, up along Route 1, not in front of the building please) arrival back to Lewes will be approximately 7:30 p.m.

The cost is \$25 and is nonrefundable. Please contact the Christian Formation Office at 644-7413

Note: planning for lunch and dinner will be an additional cost.

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.