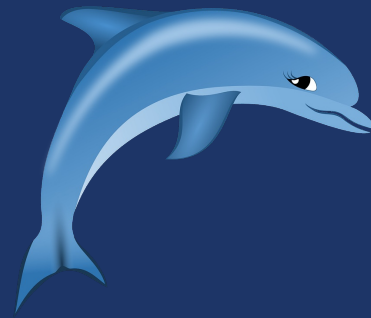


Dolphin Days



IT'S A GREAT TIME TO BE AN
MBS DOLPHIN!
September 10, 2020



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Dear MBS Families,

Welcome Back! It certainly has been wonderful to see everyone back in their classrooms working together this week. As I walked around, you could feel the excitement, hear the enthusiasm and see those smiling faces, even if they're behind masks. And yes, our very own *Finn the Dolphin* was spotted "swimming" through the halls! God is Good!

Our Diocesan theme this year is *Called to Serve*; we will be weaving the Corporal Works of Mercy into our lessons throughout the year based on this theme. This week let us all think about the hungers we witness daily. We cannot fill every hunger we see, but we may be able to help in other ways....by listening, by sharing our time, our honesty and our faith with others. This week we are focused on feeding the hungry.

Our daily prayer this school year will be *The Morning Offering*, said over the morning announcements daily, together as a school community.

When reporting out sick/absences, please use our new email, attendance@mbscs.org, set up solely for that purpose.

Please fill out any paperwork sent home today by the office. Our Thursday folders will be

sent in the near future, but for today, we are sending everything home with one student in each household.

Emergency forms are also being sent home with each student today, please fill it out, sign the back and return to the school as soon as possible. We must have your signature on file.

Thank you again for your patience with car line dismissal, it is improving as the days go on. Morning drop off has been smooth. To always put safety first, please note the following:

- **Morning Drop-off:** Students must exit cars on the passenger side of vehicles. Parent, please try to avoid getting out of your vehicles unless necessary. If you need to exit your vehicle, please be mindful of the traffic.
- **Afternoon Car Line:** Please turn off your car until it's time to go.
- We will be unable to have rainy day dismissals as done in the past. Students will be dismissed as usual. If rain or snow is in the forecast, please make sure your child is dressed for the weather.

I would like to express my gratitude and appreciation for all the cooperation, hard work, donations, patience and school spirit bestowed upon us these past several weeks. Because of your generosity we have new air purifiers, disinfecting foggers, sun shades installed, lawn furniture, umbrellas, picnic tables, new outdoor safe distancing playground equipment, laundry baskets for our grab-n-go bags, water, lap desks, individual art supplies, cleaning supplies, white boards, clip boards, hand sanitizer dispensers and stands and plastic room dividers, just to name a few of the items needed for our safe return. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you!



We had a great response to our drop off day. Thank you, **Mrs. Genna Murphy** for organizing our wish list!

Thank you to **Mr. & Mrs. Duane and Josie Cover, Ms. Kristin Coane and Mr. Chad Olenchick** for organizing the installation of our

new sun shaded area on our playground!



Mrs. Christa Gunther and Mr. Eddie Rohe's parent, Mr. & Mrs. Ed and Stephanie Rohe, donated playground equipment for each pod to allow for items to be easily separated and sanitized before using again. We truly appreciate your generosity!!



Our school community is clean as a whistle thanks in large part to Mr. & Mrs. Rick and Shelly Deale!! They worked together with Shelly's father, Mr. Ray Hance's company, Creative Assemblies, Inc., and Mr. Ed Martin's business, Area Signs, to provide our students, teachers and staff with custom made no-touch hand sanitation stations at each entrance. Thank you to everyone for this generous donation!



Even though we aren't currently able to greet families in our office as usual, we are prepared with a counter shield donated by Mr. & Mrs. John and Rosemarie Aniunas when we can. Their business, A Plus Marine Services custom-made our shield specifically for our school.



I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the teachers and staff for all their hard work and dedication over the summer. They have worked diligently preparing classrooms, facilities, adding additional maintenance to their list of things to do, training, ordering, attending professional development, being here and helping all summer and so much more.

And finally, thank you to our eight sponsoring parish priests. Thank you for your words of encouragement and support, not just financially but also spiritually, you are our beacons of light.

I would like to take this opportunity to emphasize some key points in our return to school plan:

- All parents are responsible to health screen their children before coming to school each day. This includes temperature checks. When in doubt, stay home.
- Masks are to be worn all day, inside and out. Mask may be lowered to drink and to eat. When outside, they may remove their mask when sitting down, distanced.
- Hygiene is important through washing hands and sanitizing. Take advantage of our dispensers inside and outside of our building.
- Sharing water is not permitted. All students must bring their own bottle and drink lots of water throughout the day. Once your water is consumed, we will refill your bottle. Water fountains are not available.
- For safety reasons, our health suite will utilize both of our rooms; one for ill children and one for well children. If your child is being sent home, we ask you pick up within one hour of our call.

We have a great plan in place. Please help us to continue to implement our plan and talk about the plan with your children. For the safety of all, remind them of the importance of these procedures and that good plans do work!

We have made some changes to our MBS staff and teachers these past two weeks and I would like to share these with you. Welcome to the following new employees: Mrs. Casie Petrik is our pre-K 4 assistant, Ms. Cathy Gallagher is our kindergarten assistant and Mrs. Michelle Udinski is our second-grade assistant. They have all been a part of our MBS community as parents, and we greet them with open arms to our teaching staff!

Also, we have made some changes to current employee, Mrs. Kathleen Meisten is our second-grade teacher, Mrs. Waegele has moved to third grade, Mrs. Kristen Littleton is our technology coordinator and Mrs. Sherry Brannon is working with Mrs. Josie Cover to facilitate arts integration this year. Again, we welcome our new employees and continue to support our current employees in their new positions.

In keeping with the Diocesan theme for the 2020-2021 school year, *Called to Serve*, MBS will have a N.U.T. Day (No Uniform Today) on Friday, September 25, 2020. We are asking each student to donate two can goods, or more, of non-perishable items. We are all called to serve this month, incorporating the Corporal Works of Mercy, by feeding the hungry. We will help supply depleting pantries of our eight sponsoring parishes, beginning this month with St. Mary Star of the Sea/Holy Savior Church.

Upcoming Dates:

September 14: Extended morning and after school care begins, forms were due on the September 8th. If you would still like to enroll your child(ren), please submit the form below as soon as possible.

Extended Care Form

September 15: Zoom Open House, Pre-K and Primary Grades K, 1, 2 at 6:30 pm, invites will follow.

September 16: Zoom Open House, Intermediate Grades 3, 4, 5 at 6:30 pm, invites will follow.

September 17: Zoom Open House, Middle School Grades 6, 7, 8 6:30 pm, invites will follow.

September 25: *Feed the Hungry* N.U.T. Day

September: 28-Oct 9 Renaissance Testing K-8 grades

As we approach the end of our first week for teachers, students and staff to be together in-house...

**LET NOTHING DISTURB YOU,
LET NOTHING FRIGHTEN YOU
WHOEVER HAS GOD
LACKS NOTHING.
~ St. Teresa of Avila**

God Bless our MBS families,
Mrs. Kathleen S. Manns

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SHOW YOUR MBS SPIRIT

We are so excited to have our MBS Pop Up Store open now through September 18th. There are some great items to let the world know that you LOVE our school! Please visit our store below to purchase your gear today.

mostblessedsacraments20.itemorder.com

Order Deadline: **Sept 18**

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<https://mostblessedsacraments20.itemorder.com/sale>

PARISH NEWS

St. Mary Star of the Sea

On September 19 at 8 AM Father has asked for volunteers to help beautify the parish campus! We will begin at 8 am, there will be something for everyone to do. The grown-ups/teens can trim and cut while the kids can work with me on some of the clean-up/pick-up jobs! It will be nice to get together in the fresh air! After we are all finished, we will have a pizza lunch! Father is hoping for at least 20 people! I think we could have more than that! Please call Donna 410-289-0652 and let her know you are coming!
