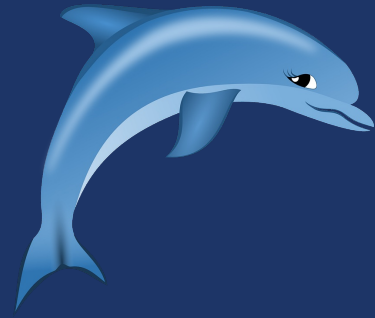


Dolphin Days



*IT'S A GREAT TIME TO BE AN
MBS DOLPHIN!
October 15, 2020*



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Dear MBS Families,

This week our sixth grade attended Mass at St. John Neumann Church. Thank you to Fr. Solomon for your meaningful homily.

On Wednesday, October 21 our school once again will recite the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary. Every class will dismissed around 10:00 a.m. to walk outside, find a spot to maintain social distance and recite the Rosary. If the weather does not cooperate, we will recite in our classrooms. Please be sure to send your student(s) with their rosary.

Thank you to Kristin Coane, Phillip & Kristen Littleton, Joshua Chamberlain, Jen Bunting and Josie Cover for their hard work last Friday in removing the old mulch out of the playground. We greatly appreciate your help. Thank God for our volunteers.

We look forward to Saturday night at the movies. Please remember to follow COVID guidelines, social distancing (6' apart) and masking. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. We work hard all week following our plan and as an MBS community we ask that everyone respects this plan.

Interim grades will be sent home this week. If you have a concern about your students' grades, please reach out to the teacher. Formal conference will take place on November 6th virtually.

Once again we ask for your help in donating cases of water and disinfecting wipes. They are greatly appreciated.

October Dates:

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-Student Council Officer Elections

-12:00 Dismissal-Professional Development for teachers

-HSA Grab and Go Chick-fil-A lunch orders are open to all, however, if you take a bus home, you must wait until you get home to eat. There is to be no eating on the bus for safety reasons.

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-MBS Family Movie Night at Lighthouse Sound

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-Showell and Berlin Volunteer Fire Companies will bring apparatus to MBS

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-In keeping with the Diocesan Theme CALLED TO SERVE, we are incorporating the Corporal Works of Mercy. This month, we would like to recognize our first responders with a small THANK YOU basket. We will have a fall \$1.00 NUT day. We are asking the students to dress in fall colors and to bring in \$1.00 or a small donation. This money will be used to thank local first responders. We appreciate your support!

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-We invite our students to celebrate with a free N.U.T. day, to dress in Halloween and/or fall clothing. Activities are planned in the individual classrooms.

Please, if you send in treats they must be store bought and individually wrapped.

Nothing homemade will be allowed at this time. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

**May God continue to bless our families,
Kathy Manns**

It is a Great Time to be a MBS Dolphin!



Parents we appreciate your help in fighting COVID-19 and keeping our school safe and open for all students. This is the format we are using, and request you use as a guideline to determine if your child should stay home from school or be sent home from school, based upon the Maryland Division of Public Health and CDC guidelines. It is very important to continue to check your children daily for these symptoms and to keep them home from school if they have any of the symptoms listed. If your child comes to school and exhibits these symptoms as described below, they will be removed from class and need to be picked up immediately. Siblings will also be sent home. All children will have to remain out of school until they are cleared by a physician with documentation of an alternate diagnosis for the symptoms, or physician documentation of a pre-existing condition, or proof of a negative COVID-19 test result **AND** symptoms have resolved. If no physician documentation or negative test results, the students must remain home from school for 10 days after initial exclusion from Most Blessed Sacrament. This information can also be found in your MBS Family Handbook, in the Appendix section on pages 22-24. The symptoms and exclusion guidelines are updated frequently per the CDC and MD Division of Public Health and MBS will adhere to those recommendations. If you have any questions, please call the school nurses or email them at attendance@mbscs.org Mrs. Carlson R.N. and Mrs. Mumford R.N.



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RETURN TO SCHOOL – GUIDELINES FOR PARENTS

Date: _____ Student Name: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

School Nurse: _____

Individuals with COVID-19 can experience a wide range of signs and symptoms that may vary from very mild to severe. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to virus. Students experiencing COVID-19 like illness during the school day must be excluded from school.

Your child has exhibited ONE of the following symptom(s):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cough | <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New loss of taste or smell | |

Your child has exhibited or complained of TWO or more of the following symptom(s):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fever (100.4 or greater) | <input type="checkbox"/> Chills |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nausea | <input type="checkbox"/> Sore throat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vomiting | <input type="checkbox"/> Headache |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea | <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle or body aches |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Congestion or runny nose | <input type="checkbox"/> Fatigue |

***This list does not include all possible symptoms.
 ***MBS will continue to update this list based on CDC guidelines

According to Maryland Division of Public Health:

Students may return to school after meeting one of these conditions:

1. With documentation of negative COVID-19 test and until all symptoms have resolved.
2. With healthcare provider documentation of alternate diagnosis as reason for symptoms.
3. With healthcare provider documentation from 2020/2021 school year of pre-existing condition.
4. If person does not receive COVID-19 test or healthcare provider documentation of alternate diagnosis, they must stay home 10 days after exclusion from school.

SPIRIT ITEMS

Thank you to everyone who purchased items from our MBS Pop-up Spirit Store. Items will be delivered soon and sent home. If any of the items are gifts, please call or email Mrs. Evans to make other arrangements for delivery. The next store will be open in

November for mid-December delivery. We will have the blue sweatshirts with the option to add a name on the back at that time. Keep in mind that students may wear those sweatshirts as jackets, but they will be asked to remove them in class. If students get chilly in class, the following items are OK to wear: MBS cardigan, MBS grey gym sweatshirts and any other spirit wear zip-up or without a hood. We are trying to move towards a dressier look with our uniforms. Parents, thank you for your understanding.

We also have some other MBS spirit items for purchase in the office. Just send in an envelope with payment to Mrs. Evans and she will make sure to send them home. In the coming weeks, she will also be visiting everyone in the car line to sell some items. Stay tuned!

All proceeds for these sale go directly into our MBS Scholarship Fund.


Spirit Items for Sale

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|  Scrunchie \$5 |  Headband \$5 |  Bracelet \$6 |  Car Magnet \$5 |
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Small Stickers \$3 each or 4 for \$10

THURSDAY FOLDERS

Please return your family's clear envelope-style Thursday Folder each week. If you lose yours, please let Ms. Higgins know and she will make sure you get a new one. We use these folders throughout the year to provide our families with printed communications.

WEATHER RELATED REMINDERS

As the weather is becoming cooler, please make sure your child has a warm jacket and/or sweatshirt to wear outside. We do much more outside and we want to make sure everyone feels comfortable.

RAINY DAY DISMISSALS

At this time, it will not be feasible to have rainy day dismissals like we have had in years past. If there is any chance of rain in the forecast, please send your child(ren) to school with a rain jacket.

Join our MBS Family Business Directory

Please let Mrs. Evans know if you would like to be added to our family directory listed on the school's website. She shares the link to this directory with new families and many families have shared how helpful it was. It's a wonderful way to help our fellow families.

LAST CALL FOR FAMILY DIRECTORY

Please send in your family directory form no later than Monday, October 19th. We will be publishing it soon!

COUNSELING CORNER

BOX OF JOY

Our MBS School Wide Service Project

Parents and families,

Please see the attached link (video) about the Cross Catholic Outreach project - Box of Joy! We did this project last year and it was such a rewarding experience for our students and families. During these tough times, we need to remember those in need and that we are all called to serve. Please see the flyer in next week's Thursday folder and stay tuned for more information about this service project. Please check out this link to learn more about Cross Catholic Outreach. <https://crosscatholic.org/box-of-joy/> It is time to spread Christmas love and help those in need.

Love and Prayers,

Box of Joy



FOR CHILDREN WHO WISH
FOR **JUST ONE GIFT**

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, those 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. **IT IS NECESSARY THAT THE PERSON WHO ANSWERS THE PHONE SPEAK IN ORDER TO ACTIVATE THE MESSAGE.**

REMEMBER THAT YOU CAN ALWAYS CHECK ON WBOC TV OR WBOC WEBSITE FOR CLOSINGS!

PARISH NEWS

St. John Neumann

Confirmation 2021: To all current 8th graders who wish to prepare for the sacrament and are currently enrolled in RE or MBS - Preparation for the sacrament will begin on Sunday 18 October from 12:30-1:30PM in the church. Parent and child must attend this first session. There is a \$75 materials fee. Please give me a heads up that you are coming so that we are prepared for you: ngroves@stjnrc.com

St. Luke

We are really excited to be starting a week day pre-k Religious Education class at St. Andrew's!! If you are interested please email the Religious Education office asap!

We hope you can join us for our Children's All Saints Celebration!! Come dressed as your favorite saint!!(parents too!!) There will be saint story telling, games, and a prayer service. Just maybe...a treat too!!

All participants must wear a mask (a real mask 😊)

Please call our office to let us know you are coming! Looking forward to seeing you!!
