

IT'S A GREAT TIME TO BE AN MBS DOLPHIN! January 21, 2021



Most Blessed Sacrament

"Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see." Mark Twain

I continue to encourage you to do wellness checks daily, taking temperatures and assessing for symptoms that could be COVID-19 related. When in doubt, stay home. Please continue to wash hand properly and dry them, sanitize and practice good social distancing. These rules always apply, even outside playing, at the park or the grocery store.... We continue to work hard and appreciate your cooperation, as well. Please know that the faculty and staff at MBS are committed to their vocation of partnering with you, the parents, to guide the children in their spiritual, social and emotional growth.

Our Catholic Schools Week committee has been working hard planning. Mark your calendars for January 31-February 5.

Catholic Schools: Excellence. Service. Faith.

Please see our list of activities below:

Monday – Excellence ~Teacher Appreciation Day

- Career Day Dress Up
- Making thank you cards to past teachers and special teachers

- Student Spotlights Grade 8th & 3rd
- 8:45 am Prayer Service over the PA

Tuesday – Excellence

~Student Appreciation Day

- · Pajama Day
- Pancake Breakfast (8:30 am)
- BINGO over the PA (1:30 pm)
- Student Spotlights Grades 7th & 2nd

Wednesday - Service

~Service Day

Wacky Wednesday

• Classes will donate items for care bags and make lap blankets for cancer patients to have during treatment. **Please note: a letter went home in the Thursday folders asking for donations by class. The date is incorrect on the letter. All items are due on Tuesday, 2/2, and will be put together on Wednesday, 2/3.

- Last day to bring in hats and gloves
- Student Spotlights Grades 6th & 1st

Thursday – Faith

~Community Appreciation Day

- \cdot Making thank you cards to parishes sharing how much our students appreciate their Catholic education
- · Live stream Mass as a school community
- · Regular Uniforms
- Student Spotlights Grades 5th & Pre-K

Friday

~Thank You Volunteers

- Student Council will make posters and hand out muffins at morning drop off
- · Spirit t-shirt day/jeans
- · Making cards for our HSA Board
- · Making cards for Ms. Jan, our library volunteer
- Student Spotlight Grades 4th & Kindergarten

A reminder that we are still collecting hats and gloves to accompany winter coats provided by the Knights of Columbus, Ocean City Council 9053. Thank you to all who have contributed and a reminder it is not too late to still send in these items.

For Catholic Schools Week, we will be having a DAY OF SERVICE, please check the list for your children's items to bring in. To thank you for your generosity for the donated items these last two months, we will have a FREE N.U.T. day on February 12th. Details forth coming.

This week has been an exciting week with contest winners galore that I want to share with you:

Congratulations to our contest winners and to all participants in the Knights of

Columbus Council 9053, Ocean City, MD sponsored KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS poster contest Grades K-1 Winner-Maddox Coane Second Place (Tie) Nora Bunting and Savannah Reynolds Grades 2-4 Winner-Ryan Nguyen

Second Place-Lucy Gunther

Grades 5-8 Winner Danielle Windon Second Place (Tie)-Cameron King and Maryann Rutzler

We also had contestant winners who participated in the Eastern Shore Classic Dog Show Art Contest. Second Place-Ethan Johnson Third Place Michael Windon Merit-Madelyn MacIntosh, Morgan Petrik and Helena Udinski

Congratulations to all participants as well as the winners!!!!! Thank you for participating!

I want to thank Father Klevence for saying Mass today for our third grade. Next week second grade will attend Mass.

UPCOMING DATES

January 28 Interims grades go home. 31 Catholic Schools Week begins February 9 School Pictures: Grades PK3, PK4, K, 1, 2 February 10 School Pictures: Grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 February 12 Valentine's NUT Day February 15 President's Day – No School February 17 Ash Wednesday

Have a great week!!

God Bless our Families,

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Dear Parents and Guardians, Most Blessed Sacrament screens all new students and students in 1st, 3rd, 5th and 7th grade for vision and hearing. Due to keeping students in their cohorts and social distancing guidelines, we are not able to provide this service for the 2020-2021 academic school year. If you have any concerns regarding your child's vision or hearing, please contact their primary care provider.

Please read the following links for the safety and health of our school and staff and students. As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office at 410-208-1600 or by email at **attendance@mbscs.org**

Stay safe and healthy! Mrs. Fuzzy Mumford R.N.

COVID MBS Rules

Symptom Screening

MBS Daily Health Assessment 1-14-21



Parents, welcome back after our nice, long, break. I hope you are all doing well and staying safe. It is so nice to see our lovely students back in school. I know they are tired this week. I spoke to a few classes today. We had a talk about taking care of ourselves. I reminded them

to go home and get outside, get fresh air and take a break from technology. They are working hard all day. I reminded them to sleep well and eat a good breakfast. Parents, see the link below for some fun, simple activities for children and adolescents as well as some calming activities. We need to model self-care. It is so important to take care of our mental health. I will begin to go in all the classes to talk with our students about this.

<u>https://www.nctsn.org/sites/default/files/resources/fact-</u> sheet/simple_activities_for_children_and_adolescents_4.pdf

Love and Prayers, Theresa Gabbard tgabbard@mbscs.org

SERVICE PROJECT- CLOTHE the NAKED

Please donate child sized hats and gloves this month. We will be donating these to a local community in need. There will be a collection bin in each pod. Thank you!

DRAWING FOR FREE REGISTRATION

Please send in your re-registration forms no later than February 5, 2021. We are offering a \$10 discount for each student and a chance to win a FREE registration fee if your form is turned in by January 29, 2021.



Diocesan Tuition Assistance

The Diocese of Wilmington is now accepting tuition assistance applications for the 2021-2022 school year. Tuition assistance through the Diocese of Wilmington is provided to children attending grades K-12. Pre-school, before and after care are not funded through this program.

Letter to Parents

To be considered, parents must submit an application <u>Online Application</u> FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment for evaluation at FACTS representatives are available to guide parent through the application process and to answer any questions by calling 1-866-441-4637.

2021-2022 Tuition Assistance Flyer

Completed applications, including all supporting documentation such as tax forms, are due March 4th. <u>Applications that are submitted after that date</u> will NOT be considered for assistance.

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

ATHLETICS

ICE CREAM

Our second session of ice cream sales starts February 1st. You may pay a one-time fee of \$20.00 to receive your ice cream each Thursday during your child's lunch period.

The registration form can be found in the Thursday take-home folder. The second session will go from February 1st to the end of the school year, June 17th.



BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

This month, Walmart is offering a great Box Tops special. If they are products you like, consider helping our HSA earn more cash with your purchase. If you haven't downloaded the app for Box Tops, go to your app store and do it today. It is very user friendly and you don't have to clip anymore!! Make sure to tell everyone you know to download the app and choose Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School in Berlin, MD as their school of choice. Thank you for your support!!

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: YOU CAN ALWAYS CHECK WBOC TV OR WBOC WEBSITE FOR CLOSINGS!

PARISH NEWS

St. John Neumann

1st Reconciliation completed assignments due February 14th. Parents of 1st reconciliation students need to schedule a meeting with DRE prior to Feb 14, as well. Email him: Jsturgill@stjnrcc.com

Next Confirmation meeting Feb. 21, 2021.

St. Mary Star of the Sea

Our bookstore is open Monday-Thursday from 9 am - 3 pm. Find all of your Catholic gifts and books right in Ocean City!

