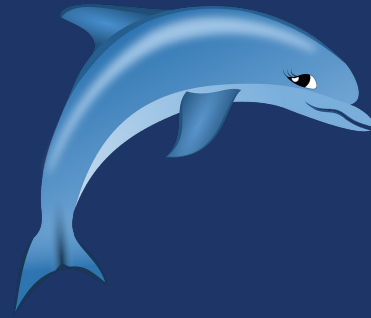


# Dolphin Days



IT'S A GREAT TIME TO BE AN  
MBS DOLPHIN!  
January 7, 2021



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*“Start by doing what is necessary; then do what is possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible.”*  
*Saint Francis of Assisi*

Happy New Year! This week we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany commemorating the Magi’s visit to the baby Jesus and the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist. This feast, also known as the feast of manifestation, was traditionally celebrated the 12<sup>th</sup> day after Christmas. In recent years it has been celebrated on the first Sunday after January 1.

May the new year bring us hope, peace, joy and love with the light of Christ. We want to thank all our families who were generous towards our teachers and staff during the Christmas season.

As we look forward to our students returning to campus on Monday, I need to remind everyone of the responsibility in helping to keep us open. Thank you for updating our nurse at [attendance@MBSCS.org](mailto:attendance@MBSCS.org)

- Daily health checks and temperature readings. If in doubt, stay home.
- Continue to enforce good hygiene.
- Continue to sanitize.
- If anyone in your family is exhibiting any COVID-19 symptoms, all family members should stay home until you have spoken to our nurse or a physician.
- Continue to mask.
- Social distance when out of the house. This particularly includes the playground, gathering with friends, etc...

We cannot thank you enough for your cooperation in helping us to keep the school open in

providing a quality faith-based education to our students.

During the month of January, we will be collecting new gloves and hats in our diocesan theme for the year, "Called to Serve." We will "Clothe the Naked" as we continue to learn about the Corporal Works of Mercy. They may be sent in at any time, we have received donations of winter coats that will be paired with these hats and gloves. These items will be donated to a local community in need for children.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- January 15 Parent conferences, teachers will reach out to schedule your times for virtual meetings. Noon dismissal.
- January 18 Martin Luther King Day, no school.
- January 28 Interims go home, Trimester II.
- January 26 Last call for hats and gloves!
- January 31 Catholic Schools Week. More details to follow.

In November we collected blankets and distributed to two local charities, please see below the note sent in from Catholic Charities, Diocese of Wilmington.

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December 2, 2020

Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School  
11242 Racetrack Road  
Berlin, MD 21811

On behalf of the staff, clients and residents at Casa San Francisco in Milton, we are so grateful to have received more than 100 blankets from you. We always appreciate the kindness shown to our organization, but particularly this year, these blankets will mean so much to people in need of some extra assistance.

The kindness of local organizations to their neighbors is an inspiration to all of us and makes this time of year a little better for everyone involved.

Wishing you a blessed Christmas.

Regards,

Desiree Downs  
Food Co-op Program, Inc.



Main Office  
2601 W 4th Street  
Wilmington, DE 19805  
302-655-9624

Bayard House  
300 Bayard Avenue  
Wilmington, DE 19805  
302-654-1184

Thrift Center  
1320 E 23rd Street  
Wilmington, DE 19802  
302-764-2717

Marydale Retirement Village  
135 Jeandell Drive  
Newark, DE 19713  
302-368-2784



Kent Office  
2095 S DuPont Highway  
Dover, DE 19901  
302-674-1600

Sussex Office  
406 S Bedford Street, Suite 9  
Georgetown, DE 19947  
302-856-9578

Casa San Francisco  
127 Broad Street  
PO Box 38  
Milton, DE 19968  
302-684-8694

Eastern Shore Office/Seton Center  
30632 Hamden Avenue  
PO Box 401  
Princess Anne, MD 21853  
410-651-9608



Catholic Charities

[www.cdonw.org](http://www.cdonw.org)

Hello and welcome to 2021! I hope everyone was able to enjoy a safe and healthy holiday season. Prior to returning to the school building on Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, I wanted to remind you of our school protocols to



maintain the safety of everyone.

Parents are required to monitor for any COVID-19 symptoms via the health screening tool every single morning on every student and family members. If any student, **OR** sibling, **OR** family member is exhibiting **ANY** symptoms of Covid-19, they should be kept home from school until you are able to speak with the nurse or your physician to determine if follow up and/or testing is

required. Do not send any child to MBS if anyone in their family is being tested for COVID-19. You may call the nurse at school or email [attendance@mbscs.org](mailto:attendance@mbscs.org) with any questions.

In the past 14 days, if your child has tested positive for COVID-19, **OR** been in close contact (within 6 feet for more than 15 minutes in a 24-hour period) of any person who has either been diagnosed with COVID-19, **OR** has shown any of the symptoms of COVID-19, **OR** has been in large groups, **OR** if the student has traveled out of state or internationally, do **NOT** send them to school without speaking to the nurse.

Students who are waiting results from a COVID-19 test are **NOT** permitted to attend school until the test results are confirmed. The school nurse must be notified of all testing results.

Please continue to maintain social distancing, wear a mask, wash hands often, and keep the school informed of any illness and COVID-19 exposure and testing in your family.

Thank you,

Mrs. Mumford R.N.

In addition, the following is the information from Governor Hogan of Maryland. Our school is located in Maryland and we are required to comply with all state of Maryland mandates.

**EXPANDED TESTING AND QUARANTINE REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAVEL.** The governor issued an emergency order requiring Marylanders to limit all travel to essential purposes only. All Marylanders who do travel outside of Maryland or any individuals who do travel to Maryland must either **obtain a negative COVID-19 test result** or self-quarantine for 10 days. This applies to all states, with the exception of Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, and Washington, DC. Read **the governor's order** and the **companion health directives**.

**[Return to School Guidelines](#)**

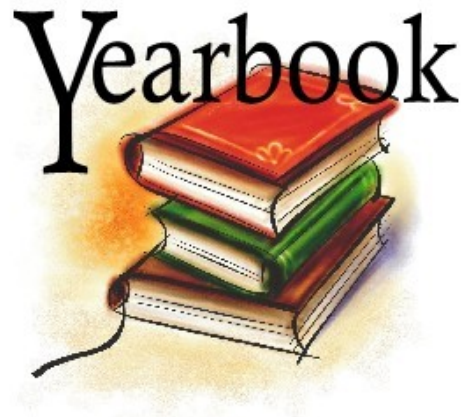
**[Updated Daily Health Assessment](#)**

## WINTER POP-UP SALE

Please check out our new MBS pullover that can be worn with the uniform and winter hat in our winter pop-up sale. Items can purchase directly through the

website below through January 10<sup>th</sup>. All orders will come directly to the school to avoid shipping charges. Click Here to Shop:  
<https://mbsholidaystore.itemorder.com/sale>

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### **YEARBOOK ARTWORK CONTEST**

We are hosting an artwork contest for our students in grades 3-8 for the yearbook cover. A flyer will be sent home today. This is a fun activity our students can work on over Christmas break.

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### **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 online to FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment for evaluation at [www.online.factsmgt.com/aid](http://www.online.factsmgt.com/aid). 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. Applications that are submitted after that date 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.

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## 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

Confirmation 2020: The next gathering will be Sunday 10 January from 1-2 in the church.

### 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!

