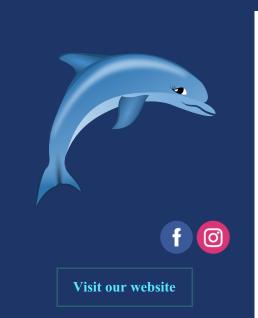


IT'S A GREAT TIME TO BE AN MBS DOLPHIN! February 4, 2021





# Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School Educating the Mind, Strengthening the Body, Nurturing the Soul

MBS is excited to celebrate Catholic Schools Week!

"Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service."



**THANK YOU** Thank you to all of you who so generously gave during CSW. Your commitment to Catholic Education is evident in your supporting our 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."

Grades kindergarten through fifth filled bags for patients at the Richard A. Henson Cancer Center, that our pre-K students decorated with kind words of encouragement. Our bags were filled with Chapstick, hand wipes, sanitizer, masks, hard candies, snacks, water, prayer cards, Miraculous Medals, and lap blankets made by our middle school students. All of these items were generously donated by you.

With the help of our school community and the Knights of Columbus, Council 9053, we also supplied over 80 winter coats, hats and gloves to children in need. They were packed and picked up for distribution.

I am not sure which of our events this week the students enjoyed the most: coming in two hours late two days in a row, arriving in their PJs, eating pancakes, playing bingo, coming dressed on Wacky Wednesday or participating in a morning of service to others. And it is not over yet! Watch for pictures in next week's Dolphin Days.

Thank you to State Farm insurance agent, Billy Reese, in Selbyville, for donating the bags that were used to deliver the lap blankets and toiletries.

A big shout out to our HSA and the parents who donated goodies for the teacher cart this week, for the lunch delivered on Tuesday, pretzels that will be delivered Friday, and the donuts and coffee that will be delivered on Friday morning. We do appreciate all of it!

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### **Covid-19 Update**

As reported earlier this week, we had one positive case reported over the weekend.

I thank you for being proactive in following our guidelines and keeping students' home when not feeling well.

I ask that you continue to do daily wellness checks, wear a mask, avoid crowds, stay 6 ft apart, remember to mask up, even on the public playground!

### **Prayers**

Please remember in your prayers the following:

Mrs. Selba and her family, her stepmother passed away.

Mrs. Brannon and her family, her brother-in-law passed away.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

We also ask that you keep our Bishop, Bishop Malooly, in your prayers, as he recovers from surgery.

### **Called to Serve** – March

As we continue to learn about the Corporal Works of Mercy, this month we focus on *Care for the Sick*. Parable of the Good Samaritan Luke 10:25-37

## PICTURE DAYS NEXT WEEK

Picture-Art photographers will be at our school to take student pictures on Tuesday, February 9 and Wednesday, February 10. ALL STUDENTS SHOULD BE DRESSED IN THEIR WINTER UNIFORMS ON THESE DAYS (PLEASE REFER TO THE PARENT AND STUDENT HANDBOOK). Students should NOT wear their PE uniforms on either day.

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# **RE-REGISTRATION**

Congratulations to The Bergey Family for winning our MBS Reregistration Raffle!!! There's still time to get your re-registration forms in this week. We will be accepting returning families first before open enrollment begins. Please, return your forms no later than tomorrow, Friday, February 5. <u>Re-Registration Form 21-22</u>

### **MBS Holds a Read-a-thon This Year!**

Read-a-thons actually get your reader excited about reading and it gives friends and family the opportunity to encourage your child to read even more.

Our Read-a-thon starts Monday February 22nd 2021.

About one week before our Read-a-thon starts we will send home instructions on how to activate your reader's personal page. This is where you will be able to view and record their progress.

We've chosen Read-a-thon because it will not take much of your time, gives your child a reason to read and helps in the development of stronger reading skills.

We hope EVERYONE participates.

### **Upcoming Date Reminders:**

Friday: Spirit T Shirt and Pretzel Day
Class of '21 Sub Sale - pick-ups after car line in the front of the building, bus riders will take home with oldest student
Noon Dismissal--NO AFTERCARE
February 8: Career Day
February 9 : Picture Day PreK-2nd & Siblings
February 10: Picture Day 3<sup>rd</sup> -8th & Siblings
February 12: Valentine N.U.T. Day

February 15: Presidents Day, NO SCHOOL

February 15-26: Virtual Book Fair

February 17: Ash Wednesday, Rice Bowls Go Home.

February 16-26: Renaissance Testing do not forget to eat breakfast!

### REMINDER

We are still in need of and thankful for donations of Lysol wipes, sprays and baby wipes. Thank you for thinking of us as you are out and about today.

Have a great week!!

God Bless our Families, Mrs. Manns

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# New virus variants that spread more easily could lead to a rapid rise in COVID-19 cases



Happy Catholic Schools Week. We have safely completed 18 weeks of in person student education! I want to applaud all the teachers, parents, administrators, school staff and students who have adhered to protocols and recommendations and adapted under these difficult and trying circumstances.

While we all are suffering from "Covid Fatigue", we have to remain diligent. There is a big sports event weekend coming up with the Super Bowl on Sunday. Typically friends and family gather to celebrate sports and competition. You must remember our world is still experiencing a pandemic. Gathering with crowds is not recommended by the CDC or the Maryland Department of Health. Consider new traditions of face timing while watching the big game instead of attending a party or event.

The only way we can continue to keep our students and staff safe is to maintain at least 6 feet of separation, always wear a mask if unable to maintain 6 feet of distance, washing your hands frequently and avoiding unnecessary travel and crowds. Thank you for being the reason we are able to educate our students in Mind, Body and Spirit.

### Mrs. Mumford R.N.

Please read the following links and contact me if you have any

questions at attendance@mbscs.org

**COVID Rules for Parents** 

**Gatherings During COVID** 

**Maryland Large Gatherings** 



### Dear MBS Parents,

I want to express my gratitude to you all. As we celebrate Catholic Schools Week, I know you all make sacrifices to send your children to a Catholic School. Thank you! I am so thankful we have been in person, at school, with your wonderful children. This week is one to celebrate as it has been a year of challenges.

Parents, I do miss your presence in our school, and I can't wait for the day we can all carry on as normal. Parents, thank you all for all you give. We appreciate the nice teacher snacks and the many donations you give to our service projects. You are wonderful models of faith and service to your children.

Thank you all! Love and prayers, Mrs. Gabbard

# VIRTUAL BOOK FAIR

We are excited to host the MBS Virtual Scholastic Book Fair! Mark your calendars for February 15th through February 26th. Stay tuned for more information in future Dolphin Days.





# **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.

# **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

Confirmandi need to turn in saint papers on Feb 21. Confirmation students will also have the opportunity to receive the sacrament of reconciliation on March 6.

### 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!

