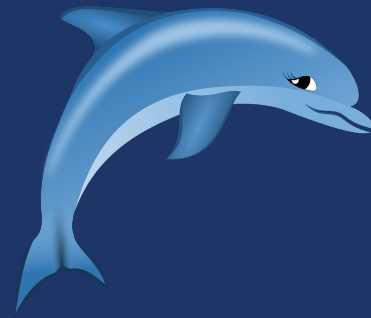


Dolphin Days



IT'S A GREAT TIME TO BE AN
MBS DOLPHIN!
March 18, 2021



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Educating the Mind, Strengthening the Body, Nurturing the Soul

*"Do not lose hope;
St. Joseph also experienced moments of difficulty, but he never lost faith and was able to
overcome them, in the certainty that God never abandons us."
Pope Francis, May 1, 2013*

Dear MBS Families,

The Year of St. Joseph

Tomorrow, March 19th is the feast of St. Joseph. Joseph was the husband of the Virgin Mary, beloved legal father of Jesus, a working father, a father in the shadows.

Joseph was a man who goes "unnoticed", who welcomes the mystery and puts himself at its service. He accepted Mary unconditionally and saw the tender love of God.

Since Joseph is not mentioned in any account of Jesus public life, his crucifixion or resurrection, it is thought that he died before Jesus started preaching.

Let us pray that we too may accept unconditionally, see the tender love of God as we strive to lead by example and provide for our families.

Covid-19

We have had no reported cases of COVID-19 this week, nor the past 6 weeks. Anyone who is entering any part of our building must wear a mask.

We continue to encourage you to:

- Do wellness checks every morning, PLEASE.
- Sanitize
- Wash hands properly with soap and water and always dry them thoroughly.
- Stay 6 feet apart from others and wear a mask when not in the company of those you live with.
- Avoid unnecessary travel.

Be mindful of the above both in school and out of school.

Updates

Operation Rice Bowls may be brought to school after the Easter break. Thank you for supporting Catholic Relief Services.

It has been an eventful week through the building. Our pre-K classes went on leprechaun hunts, following clues left behind, searching for that "Pot of Gold."

Wednesday, as you walked through the building, you saw a sea of green! How fun to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

Our CSO visited today. We are so proud to show them first hand our strengths, challenges and progress we have encountered this school year.

We are MBS strong!

ROCK YOUR SOCK DAY Called to Serve

We will be supporting World Down Syndrome Day, on March 19th rather than March 21st, the official day, by promoting awareness and celebrating people with Down syndrome. Through quality education programs, good health care, and positive support from family, friends and the community, people with Down syndrome can achieve their full potential and lead fulfilling lives.

It's not too late to bring in your \$1.00 tomorrow and wear your own wacky socks! Wear your socks on Friday, March 19th, our Rock Your Socks Day!

Hosting The Pilgrimage Cross

This coming week we have the privilege of hosting the Diocesan Pilgrimage Cross at MBS. We will display it daily in a different pod as part of a Lenten prayer space. The cross is a replica of the cross Pope John Paul II, on Easter Sunday in 1984, presented to the youth of the world. Bishop Malooly blessed our cross for its use in our community.

Prayers

We ask you to remember in your prayers the following:

- Bishop Malooly, as he recovers from surgery.
- Father Klevence, Pastor of St. Ann as he recovers from a stay at AGH last week.
- The Warner family. Layla in preK-3 is recovering from surgery and will begin

chemo at A.I. Dupont Hospital in Wilmington this month.

Invitation

You are invited to a multimedia Lenten series titled, "Holy Boldness: A Journey Through Lent with Four American Saints," written and hosted by the Reverend Richard Jasper, Associate Pastor of Saint Ann Church, Wilmington, DE. The series is designed to help individuals and families get the most out of the Season of Lent and prepare spiritually for the celebration of Christ's resurrection at Easter. Each 10-15 minute presentation is posted on the diocesan YouTube channel. You can visit the channel at www.YouTube.com/DioceseofWilm.

Congratulations!

- To Lauren Higgins, our front desk office manager, who will be retiring as of March 26, 2021. Lauren is moving to New Jersey to be closer to her family. We wish Lauren, who has been at MBSCS since opening our doors, many blessings and good health in the future.
- To the Littleton and Hetherington families as they completed RCIA and will be welcomed into the Catholic Church on Saturday, March 20th at Holy Savior. We wish all of them our prayers and blessings during this special time.

IMPORTANT DATES

March 18 Report cards go home.

CSO school visit

Mass Grade 6

March 19 Pray of St. Joseph

Rock your Socks Day

March 22-24 Pilgrimage Cross

March 25 Mass Grade 7

March 31 Sacred Day of Silence

Last School Day -Easter break begins

April 12 School Reopens - Easter break ends (Spring uniform begins)

May your week be filled with blessings,

Kathleen Manns

Principal Most Blessed Sacrament School

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From the Health Suite

Hello MBS families,

Please read the following links regarding Holiday Travel and Gatherings for Easter Break and Returning to MBS after Covid-19 Exposure and the CDC

Travel Advisory. All policies are updated with the current guidelines and mandates from the Diocese of Wilmington, the CDC and the Maryland Department of Health and Governor Hogan.

A Maryland Department of Health travel advisory to limit travel to essential purposes only will remain in place.

MBS will not schedule a virtual week of instruction for all students following the Easter break.

Easter break gatherings

New CDC Travel Guide

As always if you have any questions regarding this information, Covid-19 or other health concerns, please do not hesitate to call me at school or email me at attendance@mbscs.org

Stay safe and healthy,

Fuzzy Mumford R.N.

Returning to MBS

COVID Rules for Parents

Updated Daily Health Assessment

HSA Lenten Dine & Donate - Toast Family Meal Deal

Today, the HSA sent home an order form for this yummy event. There are two choice this time!! Click below to download the flyer or to pay online.

TOAST Order Form

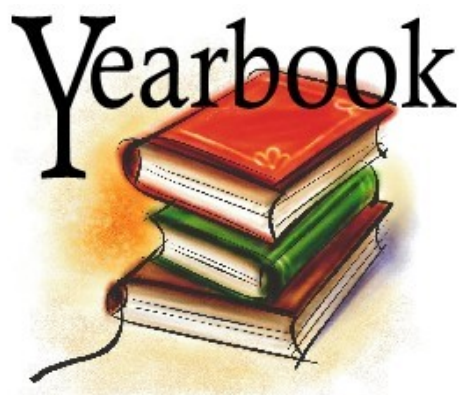
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SUMMER/WARM WEATHER UNIFORM

The MBS uniform policy requires that students begin to wear the summer/warm weather uniform on APRIL 12th. Please check the Family Handbook for warm weather uniform requirements. Remember ALL uniforms, both school and Phys Ed must be purchased through Flynn O'Hara.

Flynn O'Hara now offers virtual fittings with one of their representatives.

Flynn O'Hara



YEARBOOK ORDERS!!

Order forms went home a few week's ago in the Thursday folder. There are a limited amount of yearbooks, so be sure to order yours today. Each copy is \$35.

Yearbook Order Form



This week I visited with our pre 3, pre 4 and K! We discussed taking care of our feelings. We discussed common feelings and that it is ok to feel all of these feelings. We read a book in each class, pre 3, "Lots of Feelings", pre 4, "Be Still" and in K we read, "Scaredy-Cat Fish". We discussed taking care of our feelings by using tools such as: Breathing, Prayer, Exercise, Creativity, Talking with Trusted Adults, Being with Friends, Taking Tech Breaks, Pet Time, Mindfulness, Getting Good Sleep, and so on. We practiced several Breathing Techniques and Chill Skills.

As we approach the year mark of this pandemic, I feel it is so important to check in with our children. This year has been stressful on everyone. We must use and practice our coping tools to improve our Mental Health.

Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at any time, tgabbard@mbscs.org.

Theresa Gabbard



ATHLETICS

NO SPRING SPORTS:

We will not be having a Spring sports season. We hope this is the last time we will have to make this announcement. We hope to restart our sports programming in the Fall.

All our Covid safeguards and guidelines are still in place at school (separate grade cohorts, masks, social distancing, hand sanitizer stations, etc.) Even though things are improving, we cannot yet relax these safeguards in order to have a sports season.

Again, we are hopeful we can return to our extracurricular programming in the Fall. Thank you for your support and understanding!

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. Luke

Registration for our Religious Education 2021-2022 year has started. For our parishioners who's children are entering second grade and eighth grade, please email us for sacrament preparation registration forms(kzarif@stlukeoc.com).

Wishing our MBS school family a continued fruitful Lenten journey!

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!

