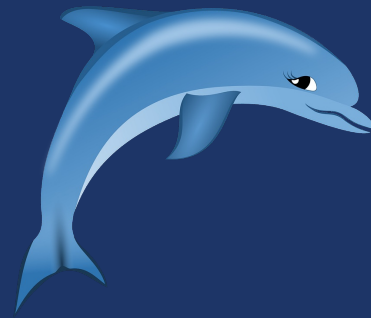


Dolphin Days



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



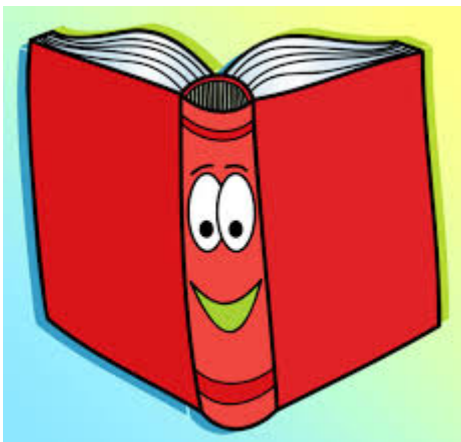
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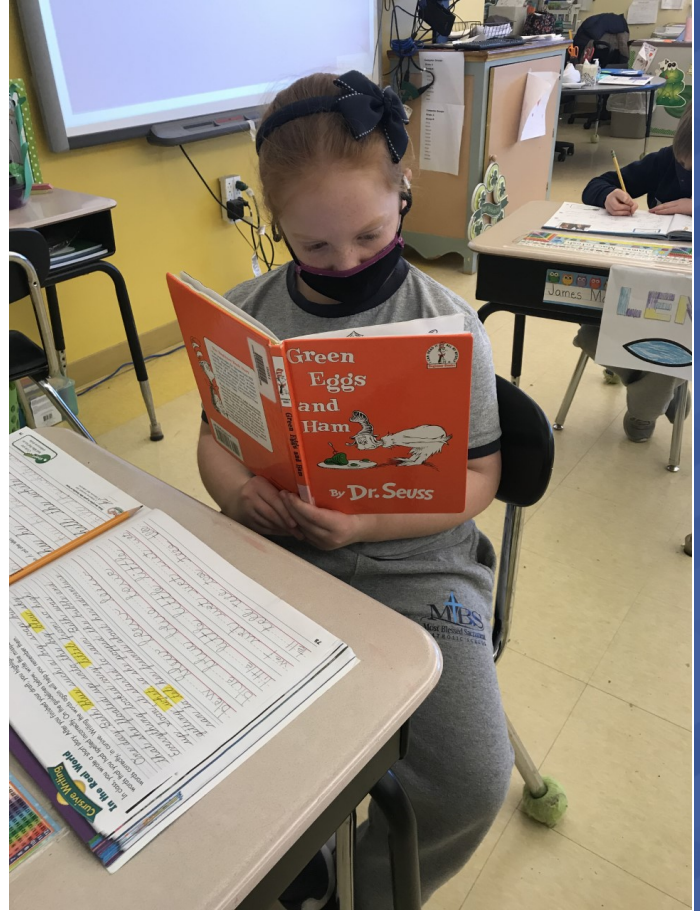


Educating the Mind, Strengthening the Body, Nurturing the Soul

Keep Reading!!

Our MBS Read-a-thon runs through Saturday, 3/6, and we are so proud of how hard our students are working to log their hours. The total giving so far has reached \$25,000! Thank you for your support of this first time HSA fundraiser.





Dear MBS Families,

Lent helps our students realize that *when* we make a mistake, we should own it and try not to do it again. This is the basic idea behind Lenten practices. We are learning that our sins affect others. Offering kindness is a good way to show we want to have a change in our hearts.

The Year of St. Joseph

In a new Apostolic Letter entitled *Patris corde* (“With a Father’s Heart”), Pope Francis describes Saint Joseph as a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father, a father who is creatively courageous, a working father, a father in the shadows.

The Letter marks the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX’s declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To celebrate the anniversary, Pope Francis has proclaimed a special “Year of Saint Joseph,” beginning on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 and extending to the same feast in 2021.

At the conclusion of his Letter, Pope Francis adds another prayer to St. Joseph, which he encourages all of us to pray together:

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
With you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
And defend us from every evil. Amen

Vision for the Future Fund

Today is the last day to apply for financial assistance through the Diocese of Wilmington. Please see further below for more information.

Covid-19

We have had no reported cases of Covid-19 this week. 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.

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

Updates

Read-a-thon update, as of Wednesday: Mrs. McTavish and her first grade are in the lead! Believe it or not, second grade is in second place and third grade is in third place! Thank you to all who are supporting our Read-a-thon!

A reminder when dropping off in the morning, we encourage you to have your child(ren) exit the vehicle on the passenger side of the car. Having students exit on the driver's side with other cars passing is extremely dangerous. We also encourage you to drive slowly through our campus. Thank you.

Operation Rice Bowl is one-way Catholics can enhance their Lenten fasting practice by giving up meals or eating smaller portions and donating the cost to Catholic Relief Service to help those who do not have enough to eat. Please send in your bowls when we return from Easter break.

MBS continues to have Mass in person weekly for the individual grades. This week, fourth grade participated and next week, kindergarten will participate in Mass.

The entire school, on Thursdays, join in the celebration of Mass virtually.

ROCK YOUR SOCK DAY Called to Serve

We will be supporting World Down Syndrome 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.

Every \$2.00 donation gets you one pair of crazy socks! These socks will be worn on March 19th, our Rock Your Socks Day! We will collect the \$2.00 during the week of

March 15th and will end on the 18th, socks worn on the 19th.

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 min presentation is posted on the diocesan YouTube channel. You can visit the channel at www.YouTube.com/DioceseofWilm

IMPORTANT DATES

February 22-March 6 MBS Read-A-Thon

March 5 Spirit Day and pretzel day

Administrator Retreat

March 8 Trimester 2 ends

March 11 Mass Kindergarten

March 12 *Noon Dismissal professional development for teachers*

March 18 Report cards go home.

CSO school visit

Mass Grade 6

March 19 Pray of St. Joseph

Rock your Socks Day

March 25 Mass Grade 7

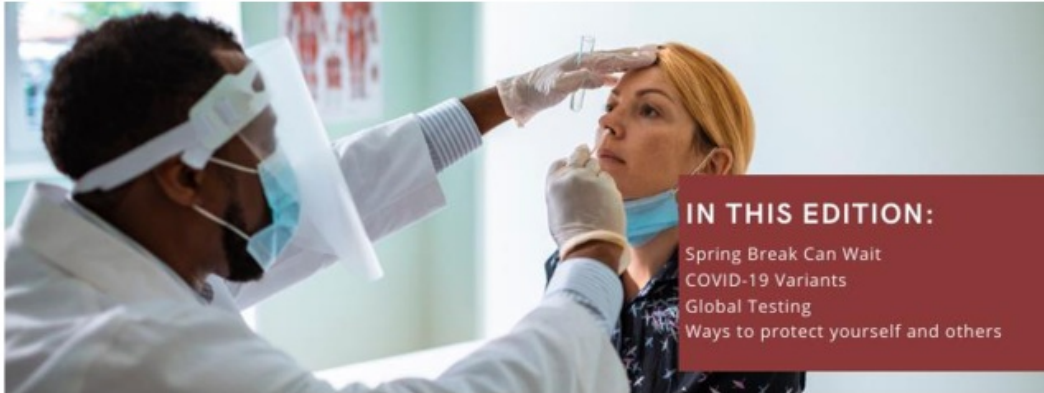
May your week be filled with Blessings,

Kathleen Manns

Principal Most Blessed Sacrament School

It is a great time to be a Dolphin!

From the Health Suite



Spring Break Can Wait

Thinking about a spring break getaway? CDC recommends that you do not travel at this time. Travel increases your chance of getting and spreading COVID-19. Delay travel and stay home to protect yourself and others from COVID-19.

I am very happy to announce that we are able to say it has been one month since MBS has had a COVID-19 positive case of any students or staff. We must remain vigilant. Handwashing, maintaining at least 6 feet apart, wearing masks, avoiding groups over 10 people and no unnecessary travel are still the best practices for prevention.

This is the Travelers' Health Winter Update from the CDC. Please act responsibly when considering Easter break travel and gatherings. Delay travel and stay home to protect yourself and others from COVID-19. (insert the PDF link here)

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

Please read the following links and contact me if you have any questions at attendance@mbscs.org

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VISION for the FUTURE

The Diocese of Wilmington is now accepting tuition assistance applications for the 2021-2022 school year. Each year through its Vision for the Future Education Fund, the diocese offers financial aid to a number of families who desire a Catholic education for their children but who cannot afford the full cost of tuition. Families with children in grades K-12 registered at Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School who believe they are in need of assistance are encouraged to apply. **THE DEADLINE TO APPLY IS MARCH 4, 2021.** Please refer to the flyer link below, for details.

To be considered, parents must first submit an application to FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment for evaluation. Please note that it is the policy of the diocese that tuition assistance will be granted only to those families whose children are officially registered in one of our schools. For this reason, enrollment must be official before tuition assistance can be offered.

Families currently receiving tuition assistance from the diocese must reapply for 21/22 consideration. Assistance is not automatically renewed from year to year.

[Letter to Parents](#)

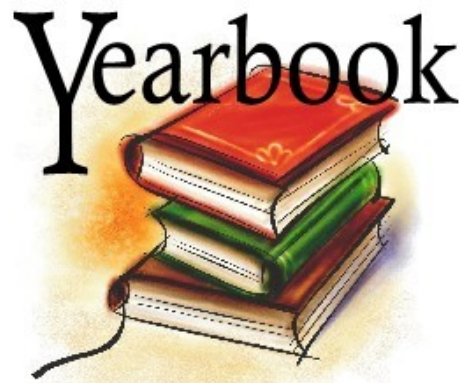
[Online Application](#)

[2021-2022 Tuition Assistance Flyer](#)

LIBRARY NEWS

Read-a-thon runs through Saturday, March 6. We encourage you to get sponsors for our awesome readers! We will be having DEAR Time (Drop Everything and Read) throughout the week! Be prepared.

Thank you for your support!



YEARBOOK ORDERS!!

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



This week I visited with our 3rd, 4th, 5th, 7th, and 8th grade! We discussed taking care of our mental health. We discussed common stressors and the physical signs of stress. We discussed how our body reacts to stress and how we can use self-care to improve our mental health. We discussed taking care of our mental health 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.

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

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 students will have the opportunity to receive the sacrament of reconciliation on March 6.

St. Luke

We hope you will join us in our Lenten workshop with Father Jennings, as we go deeper into Scripture through the lens of Lent! Classes will be held on Tuesdays (beginning Feb 23rd) both in the morning (immediately following 9am daily Mass at St. Luke's, and in the evenings at St. Andrew's at 6pm. We look forward to seeing you and together preparing ourselves for this 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!

