

Educating the Mind, Strengthening the Body, Nurturing the Soul

Dear MBS Families,

### <u>Covid-19</u>

We had one reported positive case this week. The positive individual has not been in the building since before spring break. 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** 

- Tomorrow, Friday, April 23rd, to thank our students and staff for not only raising over \$30,000 during our Read-A-Thon but for **100%** participation, HSA has arranged for the Kona Ice truck to come to our school!!
- Thank you to Fr. Lewis from St. Jude Parish who celebrated Mass today with our 7th grade. The entire school continues to view Mass virtually every Thursday.
- Friday, April 30th, Fr. Cocucci will celebrate a Memorial Mass to remember Mr. Mark Record, who passed away March 26th. This Mass will be attended by our middle school students.
- Thank you for returning your Rice Bowls. There is still time, if you have not done so, to send your in.
- \*Movie tickets purchased pre-covid from Flagship Cinema valid until 12/21.

#### **PRAYERS**

We ask you to pray for the following members of our MBSCS Community

- The Warner Family, Layla continues her treatment at AI Dupont in Wilmington
- Mrs. Cris Kaczmarczyk who recently lost her husband.
- All those who are sick.
- Our second grade First Communicants as they begin their joyful celebration. May the peace of God rest on them and the joy in the Lord fill their hearts. May their union with him grow stronger everyday.

St. Ann- Aubrey, Frances, Hannah and Mark

St. Jude the Apostle- Gabe

St. Mary Star of the Sea- Maura, Sawyer, James, Josephine, Zachary, Patrick, Ryan and James

Sat. John Neumann- Kensley and Charlotte

St. Michael the Archangel- Adriana and Madison

St. Luke- Owen

#### The BOOST Application Deadline has been Extended through May 17 for Maryland Residents

Maryland residents, please consider applying for the BOOST Scholarship below. This year, the state of Maryland has extended not just the deadline, but also the amount of funding they will allocate for families that choose to send their children to non-public schools. It was increased by 40%. If you think that your family may qualify, please take a few minutes to apply. It is very easy. They will ask for proof of admissions, and Mrs. Evans will gladly share a letter with you to help complete the process. Please reach out to her by email at aevans@mbscs.org for the letter or with any questions you may have.

http://marylandpublicschools.org/pages/boost/index.aspx

### <u>Playground</u>

If you get the opportunity, please stop by our playground. The final component of phase I is complete. New pavers leading up to the playground were installed last weekend. They look great!

We completed our application and notification was sent that all is complete to be considered for another \$29,000 grant from the Bauer Foundation to begin phase II. Please pray that we will be the recipient. The grant money should be awarded in July.

#### From 8th Grade

# **DINNER TO GO!! Running from activity to activity and don't want to miss dinner or worse get fast food....**

The Class of 2021 is hosting a sub sandwich fundraiser. Yummy homemade subs will be ready after carline on Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. Order forms are in your family folder. Pre-Order, Pre-pay by May 7<sup>th</sup>. Subs include a meatball sandwich, sausage and pepper sandwich or an Italian cold cut sub! Each sandwich is \$5.00. For more information or questions; please contact homeroom parent Colleen Rutzler at <u>cdrutzler@gmail.com</u> or 443.614.0903 .... And thank you for your support! #mbsclassof2021

#### **Middle States Update**

The faculty continues to meet and work on preparing for Middle States evaluation next spring. Thank you to Mrs. Waegele and Mrs. Hayes for spearheading.

#### **Spring Uniform**

Spring uniform began Monday, April 12th. Please see our policy in the handbook linked below. A reminder if students need to wear a sweater or sweatshirt, only MBS attire is permissible. No outerwear jackets are to be worn inside. **Please see below** 

#### **Calendar Updates:**

April

22 Mass-Grade 7
23 Kona Ice Read-A-Thon party
28 Faculty Meeting 3:00
29 Eternity Tiles
Mass grade 6
30 Trimester 3 Interim Grades.
1 pm. Memorial Mass for Mark Record for Middle School Toast Family Meal

**Toast Family Meal** 

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday   HOLY THURSDAY SCHOOL CLOSED	Friday 2 GOOD FRIDAY NO SCHOOL	Saturda 3
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II	12 Spring Uniform School reopens	Am Faculty Meeting	14 Nurse Meeting	15	16 Spirit/Pretzel Day	17
18	19	20 Am Faculty Meeting	21 Faculty Meeting 3-4 Read-A-Thon Thank You Party	22	23 Rain Date for Read-A-Thon Party	24
25	26	27 AM Faculty Meeting	28 Faculty Meeting 3-4	29 Counselor Meeting	30 T-3 Int	

## Official School Calendar



MBS 2021 – 2022 School Year

August 18-19	Diocesan New Teacher Orientation					
August 25	Spirituality Day for <u>ALL</u> Educators with Bishop					
August 26	Teachers Return					
September 6	Labor Day – School Closed					
September 7	First Day of School for Students					
October 11	Fall Break – No School					
November 24-26	Thanksgiving Holiday – No School					
November 29	School Re-Opens					
December 4-5	High School Placement Test (Grade 8)					
December 23-31	Christmas Holiday – No School					
January 3	School Re-Opens					
January 17	Martin Luther King Day – No School					
January 30-February 5	Catholic Schools Week					
February 21	Presidents Day – No School					
March 14	Professional Development					
April 14-22	Easter Break					
April 25	School Re-Opens					
May 30	Memorial Day – No School					
June 16	Last Day of School for Students					
June 17	Last Day of School for Teachers					
*This does not include school events.						

God Bless our families! May your week be filled with blessings,

# Kathleen Manns

Principal Most Blessed Sacrament School

It is a great time to be an MBS Dolphin!

# **From the Health Suite**

#### Dear MBS Families,

We have truly done a remarkable job staying open this year. There has been an increase in positive cases and school exposures in our school and Worcester County. Please continue to Wash Your Hands, Wear Your Mask, and Watch Your Distance at all times. Limiting travel to essential purposes only and staying in small groups still remain our best defense against the Covid-19 virus. For those parents of Pre-K 4, 3rd Grade and 6th Grade, please check your students Thursday Folders. There is important information for the requirements to attend school next year. Please contact me at school if you have any questions.

Stay Safe and Healthy, Mrs. Fuzzy Mumford R.N.

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

#### 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** 

**Eternity Tiles** 



We are so happy to be able to partner with Kim Jones at Ceramic Zone again to make our famous eternity tiles, displayed throughout the hallways of our beautiful school. She will be visiting our school on April 29 to work with our participants (within their individual grades) in our outdoor classroom. Please send in all order forms no later than next Friday, April 23. Thank you for your support of this wonderful project!! Many visitors comment on how special they are.

**Eternity Tile Form** 

# 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

Student Handbook



YEARBOOK ORDERS - WE'RE ALOMOST SOLD OUT!!

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

#### Yearbook Order Form



#### **Counseling Corner**

This week I met with our younger grades. In Pre-3 and Pre-4, we read a book called, "I am Smart, I am Blessed, I can Do Anything!" We talked about the power of our words to encourage ourselves to have a great day. We practiced these wonderful positive affirmations. In K, we read the book, "Have You Filled a Bucket Today?" We had a lesson on doing and saying nice things to "fill" each other's buckets. We talked about the power of love and kindness.

Feel free to reach out to me at tgabbard@mbscs.org

Love and prayers, 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

Beginning June 1<sup>st</sup>, join us for our new mommy and me group, "Walking with Mary"! Join us to build community together, engage in music and motion fun, and engage our faith together as we walk with Mary.

For more information please contact me: Kim Zarif, kzarif@stlukeoc.com

If you have a child entering second grade/8 <sup>th</sup> grade in the fall, please contact me for registration for our sacrament preparation programs: <u>kzarif@stlukeoc.com</u>

#### St. John Neumann

Confirmation candidates- Please remember to let Fr. Cocucci know who will be attending confirmation with you.

First Communion folders are due May 16th.

#### **<u>St. Mary Star of the Sea</u>**

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

