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As we start the new school year, we begin our study of the seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching. These teachings call us to recognize and act on our connection to one another in the One Body of Christ. Each month, we shall study, pray, and explore a particular theme. These themes, like the Beatitudes and Works of Mercy, show us the way to live as a disciple of the Lord. In September we shall focus on the first theme – Life and Dignity of the Human Person. This theme reminds us of the sacredness of all life, those lives we love and cherish as well as the lives we would choose to avoid. We are called to take a stand and act for every person and so demonstrate each person is sacred.

The 2022-2023 school year has begun, and it is my honor and privilege to serve another year as your principal. We had a fantastic first week getting to know the new students and reuniting with the returning pupils. We had an amazing turnout for the Back-to-School evening. Thank you for taking the time to partner with us in your child's education. If you have any further questions or concerns that did not get addressed that evening, please reach out to the office or the teacher. We would like the transition into the new school year to be as smooth as possible.



William Kozma, a former student, has completed the construction of the Gazebo located near the prayer garden as his Eagle Scout project. He will be hosting a dedication ceremony sometime in the near future. Further details will be forthcoming.

Mrs. Stillman

Principal

School News

Our new STEM Playground is underway! The construction for Phase I has been completed. We are very grateful for the generous donations received by our school community, Home and School Association, the Charles D. and Mary A. Bauer Foundation, and other sponsorship donations. We are close to meeting our fundraising goals and hope to begin Phase II this Spring.

Attention parents: The following forms have been sent home in this week's Thursday folder.

1) The volunteer covenant- allows parents to enter the building and work alongside our students. Without this form you will not be allowed to volunteer in the building. Please click on the following link to watch the video that is also required in order to volunteer <u>https://</u>www.cdow.org/giving/fsgc-video/

2)The publicity release forms- allows teachers and staff to take pictures of your children and use them on social media and for marketing purposes.

3)The family directory/family business form- gives us permission to publish your contact information and distribute it to all families. This helps keep our parents connected.

Please take the time to read and complete the forms and return them to the office by September 23rd.



PIANO LESSONS

Class piano will begin on Tuesday, September 20th for interested students in grades 2-8.

Lessons are once a week during recess periods or before school at 7:50am.

Cost for the piano lesson book is \$8 Trimester lab fee is \$55

Please see the flyer, in your Thursday folder, for more details and to sign up.

Coming Up

Tomorrow—Friday, September 16 MBS will have Pizza and Prizes Hot Lunch. Place orders on the Hot Lunch App by 9pm tonight. To order online: <u>https://</u>

mbscs.ahotlunch.com/login school code is 137MBS.

Link to school calendar below: https://mostblessedsacramentschool.com/mdcatholic- private-school-community/catholicschool-parents/k-12- calendar/



From the Health Suite

WELCOME BACK: As we welcome students back to school, I would like to share a few reminders to keep your child(ren) healthy and ready to learn.

- Start each morning with a good breakfast so that your child is nourished and ready to participate in school.
- Cold and flu season Please give reminders to cover coughs and sneezes with their elbow or a tissue, not their hands.
- Effective handwashing is the best way to keep germs from spreading. Always wash hands before eating, after going to the bathroom, and when they are visibly dirty. Please give your child(ren) frequent reminders, and lead by example at home so that they make good handwashing a habit.

ILLNESS: Please check your child for signs/symptoms of illness before sending them to school. A child who is ill will not be able to learn, may infect other students and staff, and will not have a good day at school. Students must be at least 24 hours free from fever (without medication), vomiting and diarrhea, and any other symptoms improving, before returning to school, so that they do not spread their illness to others. When in doubt, please reach out to our school nurse or your child's primary health care provider for guidance. If your child tests positive for COVID, please notify our school nurse.

ATTENDANCE: If your child will be absent for any reason, please remember to email <u>attendance@mbscs.org</u> with the expected dates of absence and the reason. After 3 days of absence for illness, your child will need a doctor's note to return to school. If you have any questions at all, please reach out to our school nurse at <u>mlewis@mbscs.org</u> or by phone at 410-208-1600 during the school day.

Counselor Corner

Welcome to a New School Year at MBS!! I am so happy to be here for you and our students. I am at MBS on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. I can be reached by the school office phone number or my email at <u>tgabbard@mbscs.org</u>.

I will visit classes monthly and, NEW this year, I will be visiting the Middle School Classes weekly. Middle School Parents- Your child was given a Service Hours Form. We ask that by the time they graduate from MBS they have at least 30 Community Service Hours. If your middle school student does any community service, they need to fill out a form and then turn this in to me. Any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Let's have a great school year! Love and Prayers, Theresa Gabbard

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<u>Athletics</u>

Required Forms & Payments: Middle school parents, please make sure to complete all online forms and pay all sports fees so your child can participate in the fall season. With games quickly approaching, we want to make sure all players can participate.

Thank you: We would like to thank the following parents and staff for helping coach our student athletes this Fall Season. Our sports program would not be possible with them!

Co-Ed Golf: Kim Mihaly, Andy Houen, Hazel Freeman

Co-Ed Soccer: Nicholas Soares

Girls Volleyball: Steve Wanner, Christa Gunther

Ice Cream Tuesdays: Begins Tuesday, September 27th. Each Tuesday, the MBS Athletic Program will be selling ice cream at the end of lunch period. Please look in this week's take home folder for the sign-up sheet. Parents can pre-pay \$35.00 for the entire year. Please make checks payable to MBSCS and write in your child's name and grade level (only available in K-8th grade). If paying cash, the price will be \$1.50. Ice cream is also available to purchase for your child's birthday. Please email me at <u>jhaskell@mbscs.org</u> for details.

Lunchroom

We recommend placing orders for the week on Sunday, by 9:00pm. Please go online to order lunches. Log in <u>https://mbscs.ahotlunch.com/login</u> school code is 137MBS.

* Returning families, please update your child's grade level in the lunch program.

September Lunch Specials

- Sept 16— MBS Hot Lunch Kick-off with Pizza and Prizes (pizza, fresh fruit, chips, cupcake and a beverage) - \$5.50
- Sept 19—Begins the Hot Lunch Program See calendar for complete menu

Ms. Clubb and Mrs. Rutzler cdrutzler@gmail.com

<u>HSA News</u>

The HSA is busy planning our 2022-2023 school year and we need YOU! There are several opportunities both big and small for involvement within the HSA and lots of ways to volunteer at the school. *If you are interested in being a part of the HSA this year, please let us know. Email us: <u>HSA@mbscs.org</u>*

Calendar of events:

9/ 16— Spirit Day—spirit wear Spirit Night at the Millville Boardwalk from 4:00-8:00pm

9/26—Opening Meeting—please join us for the 1st meeting of the year from 5:30-7:30pm.