

Dolphin Days

Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School



January 11, 2024

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The start of the new year brings with it a great challenge in the fourth Beatitude. We are called to strive for righteousness. Righteousness results in relationships that are just. In so many areas of our lives we face situations where injustice leads to all kinds of prejudices about which we hear, read, or experience. How fitting that we celebrate and honor the works of Martin Luther King Jr. on January 15. His life and the causes for which he died align with our social teachings. Here at MBS, we strive to educate our students on the rights and responsibilities to advocate for others, to participate in inclusion of all people, and to promote the dignity and rights bestowed upon us as children of God.

We are proud to announce the winners of the annual Knights of Columbus, "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest. Each of these students produced a piece of artwork that embodied the spirit of keeping Christ in Christmas. Congratulations to all of our students who participated and were selected for an award this year.

Kindergarten: 1st place—Elizabeth Wright, 2nd place—Keely Murphy
1st Grade: 1st place—Laila Price, 2nd place—Ace Lebling
2nd Grade: 1st place—Mariaclara Almeida, 2nd place—Poppy Russell-Wood
3rd Grade: 1st place—Olivia Camilleri Pessoa, 2nd place—Nora Bunting
4th Grade: 1st place—Savannah Reynolds, 2nd place—Ava Aniunas
5th Grade: 1st place—Josephine McTavish, 2nd place—Ryan Nguyen
6th Grade: 1st place—Kylee MacPherson, 2nd place—Sophia Idzi-El and Keigan Diaz
7th Grade: 1st place—Maia Holland, 2nd place—Chase Kirk
8th Grade: 1st place—Jayden Sanchez, 2nd place—Elizabeth Lovell and Mia Genga

Let Us Build the Kingdom of God

Mrs. Stillman
Principal

Vision for the Future Tuition Assistance 2024-2025 Applications for the Diocese of Wilmington deadline is January 31st. Applications and documents submitted after the due date will NOT be accepted. The application can be found in your FACTS account. If you are currently receiving tuition assistance or will need assistance for next school year this application MUST be completed. Please contact Mrs. Gunther you need help with the application.

Frose Scholarship: Attention 4th—8th grade families please see the enclosed letter in your Thursday folders explaining the scholarship opportunities. Note that the due date for this is January 19, 2024.

Please return the completed **Re-registration Form/ Tuition Contract** along with the appropriate fee to the office by February 2nd to secure your spot in the class. Open enrollment begins on February 5th.

Please check your **FACTS** accounts. Many have overdue balances under the incidental accounts. Autopay must be **manually turned on**.

All invoices issued prior to turning autopay on will still need to be paid manually. If you wish to have MBS turn on autopay for you, please send a request to mbsfinance@mbscs.org.

Failure to keep your FACTS account current could result in the loss of activities (i.e. sports, piano, extended day, bus etc.). Your FACTS account must be current in January to re-register for the 2024-2025 school year.

If you need help logging into your FACTS account, please contact either

Mr. Wright at mbsfinance@mbscs.org or
Mrs. Gunther at cgunther@mbscs.org.

Coming Up

Jan 8—19: Registration for returning students and siblings. (Discounted rate)

Jan 12: Spirit Day! Wear your MBS Spirit shirt with uniform bottoms.

Jan 15: School closed

Jan 22—Feb 5: Registration, returning students and siblings (No discount)

Jan 25: Mass 1:00pm

Jan 26: Term 2 Interim

Jan 28—Feb 2: Catholic Schools Week

Jan 31: Last day for Vision for the Future Tuition Assistance Applications

Link to school calendar below:

<https://mostblessedsacramentschool.com/md-catholic-private-school-community/catholic-school-parents/k-12-calendar/>

Health Suite

As the cold weather continues, please remember to send your children to school with a sufficient jacket, hat, and gloves, if necessary. If your child is going to be late or absent, please email attendance@mbscs.org to inform us.

Athletics

Mon, 1/15: No School,
Martin Luther King Day

Tu, 1/16:
Varsity Boys Practice,
3:00-4:45pm

Wed, 1/17:
Varsity Girls Scrimmage v. Crisfield @
Somerset Intermediate, 4:00pm

Thu, 1/18:
JV Girls Home Game v. Epworth, 4:00pm
JV Boys Home Game v. Epworth, 5:00pm

Fri, 1/19:
Clinic: 3:00-4:45pm

Sat, 1/20:
SCS Boys B-Ball Tournament, All Day



Annual School Fund

Most Blessed Sacrament launched the School's Annual Fund a few weeks ago and the response has been tremendous. We are so grateful to all our families that have generously given. Our goal is to have 100% participation from our families. The first class to reach 100% participation will receive a Chick-fil-A lunch.

If you have not had a chance to participate, please return your commitment card with your donation to the office or visit our website and click on Annual School Fund to make your donation by credit card. Thank you for your support of MBS as we seek to reach our goal.

School Uniforms

Please review the **Uniform Policy** on pages 11—13 of the Family Handbook. Many students are coming to school without the proper uniform. As it is now January, should your student arrive to school without the proper uniform, we will be calling parents to bring the proper uniform to school for their student to return to class that day.

HSA News

Lunchtime volunteers are needed daily.

Please sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044BAEA72FA4F49-46377282-lunch#/>

Calendar of Events:

Jan 12: Spirit Day! Wear your MBS Spirit shirt with uniform bottoms.

Jan 12: Family Bingo Night 6:00-8:00pm at MBS
\$5 per player to be paid at the door. Raffles, prizes, food for purchase. All are welcome!

Jan 22: HSA Open Meeting, 5:30—7:30pm, we will meet in the MBS Library

Jan 28: Celebrate MBS 20 Year Anniversary
12:00pm in our school building.

We will have student projects on display, a *Taste of the Town* from current and alumni owned restaurants, adult vs. student volleyball game, and many more activities.

If interested in participating in the *Taste of the Town* or the volleyball game, please email HSA@mbscs.org to sign up.

Jan 30: HSA Sponsored Pancake Breakfast
for Catholic Schools Week. Sign up here to volunteer: <http://tinyurl.com/MBSPancakes>

Need to record FIP Hours? Click here:
<https://tinyurl.com/MBSFIPHrs23>

Our Theme: Let Us Build the Kingdom of God

The Beatitudes

January: Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.

Virtue—Justice