

Dolphin Days



Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School

September 19, 2024

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Dear MBS Families,

After a busy start to the school year with a first week of half days due to the installation of our new air conditioning, I am pleased to say that we have almost completed two wonderful full weeks of school! We experienced an excellent turn out for our Open House and Back to School Night. Thank you for taking the time to partner with us in your child(ren)'s education. If there is any additional information you need or questions you have, please reach out to me or the office, and we will be happy to help.

This year, our Diocesan theme, "We Walk by Faith" shall focus on our faith walk. This faith walk relies upon our trust in God and his providential care for each of us. To support us on our way, we shall recall the gifts of the Holy Spirit received in Baptism and strengthened in Confirmation. These gifts include wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. Each month, one of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit will be highlighted, we will study, pray, and explore each gift and how they provide God's grace to support us in life.

Our first focus for September is on the gift of WISDOM. Pope Francis defines Wisdom as "the grace of being able to see everything with the eyes of God. It is simply this: it is to see the world, to see situations, circumstances, problems, everything through God's eyes." For the remainder of this month, we will reflect on ways that we are God-like in our everyday circumstances and pray for the grace to see others as Jesus would.

An exciting faith walk lies before us as we take up the joys and challenges of a new school year. I am enjoying serving as your Interim Principal so far, and I am looking forward to the continuation of a very successful school year!

We Walk by Faith,
Mrs. Karen Marx
Interim Principal



The Catholic Diocese of Wilmington's Share in the Spirit campaign is an annual collection that helps families afford a Catholic education. The funds are combined with the [Vision for the Future of Education Trust](#) to provide tuition assistance to children attending Catholic schools. All Parishes will be conducting the Share in the Spirit collection this weekend during mass.

Applications for the Vision for the Future Tuition Assistance, for the Diocese of Wilmington, are being accepted from now until January 31st. Families receiving any form of tuition assistance MUST apply to this program. All families can apply. Applications for the 2025-2026 school year can be completed online in your FACTS account. Go to <https://online.factsmgt.com/SignIn.aspx>

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Library/Media

The students have all had a chance to check out books and take them home. Some students immediately went to the shelf for their favorite series, and some tried a new book. It was great to see their excitement in the library again.

Literature Circle for middle school is new this year. During trimester 1, the sixth grade will be reading *Shiloh* by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor.

If you have a 6th grader, ask them how they like the book so far. Last week was one of my quietest classes while reading chapter 1 on their own.

We will be having two Scholastic Book Fairs this year. One in October and one in April. More details to follow soon.

Happy Reading! Mrs. Northam

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Coming Up

Sept 16-27: Family Survey for Federal Programs Due

Sept 15: Spirit Day, MBS spirit shirt and any MBS uniform shorts/pants are to be worn

Sept 28: Vision for the Future, Tuition Assistance Applications open until Jan 31, 2025

Sept 23—27: Renaissance Star Assessment

Sept 30-Oct 4: Make-up Renaissance Star Assessment

Sept 23: Student Council Forms/Permission Slips due

Sept 23-27: Student Council Campaign Week

Sept 27: Student Campaign Speeches/Voting

Link to school calendar below:

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

Nurse's Suite

Health Records: If your student has had a recent visit with the pediatrician for a well check this year, please remember to send an updated copy of that record to the Health Suite for the Nurse to keep your students immunization records up to date. Kindergarten and 7th grade students should have received additional vaccines prior to school starting.

Nurse Notes: The immune system needs help from vaccines. Getting all your recommended vaccines on time can help keep students as healthy as possible. Washing hands well and often to avoid infection, eating right, getting plenty of sleep and exercise, and don't forget to fill up your water bottles and drink them throughout the school day!

Upcoming Health Suite event: Vision tests are tentatively scheduled for October 7th (Thursday) for Pre-K, New Kindergarten, first, fourth and eighth grades.

School Nurse: Jessie Simpson, jsimpson@mbscs.org



Counseling Corner

Welcome back to another school year at MBS. Please read the Dolphin Days to stay on top of everything you need to know to make this school year a great one. Parents, please check out the Counseling Corner to see which classes I have visited and for any important information that may be helpful as we all work together to make this a successful year for our MBS students!

This Trimester I will be working with our 7th grade weekly for Guidance Lessons. We did some team building exercises last week! Here are a few pictures. We played a few games to unite and build one another up. We had discussions about ways to show kindness toward one another as that is what God wants us to do. If you have a 7th grader, please ask them about our fun activities and remind them of ways we can build one another up!



HSA News

We would like to thank everyone who has already supported our Home and School Association this year by purchasing Jolly Rogers tickets, MBS Spirit Shirts or by becoming an MBS Booster! Your support helps our school in so many ways!

Please click this link to track your FIP hours, sign-up to help, donate items to events, and for order forms.
[@mbs_hsa | Linktree](#)

Our MBS Spirit Shirts will be on sale through next Wednesday, 9/25/24. Order yours today. Booster packages are still available. We need daily help with our lunch program - it's a fun and easy way to complete your FIP hours. Please email Amanda Evans at hsa@mbscs.org with any questions.

Athletics

Co-Ed Golf:

Tu, 9/24- MBS vs The Salisbury School, Ocean Resorts Golf Club - 4:00pm
Th, 9/26: Practice- 3:00 to 4:45pm, Ocean Resorts Golf Club

Volleyball:

Tu, 9/24: Game @ Epworth- ED: 2:15pm, Start Time- 4:00pm
Th, 9/26: Practice- 3:00 to 4:45pm, MBS Gym

Soccer:

Tu, 9/24: Game @ St. Francis (Fruitland Recreation Park)- ED: 2:25pm, Start Time- 4:00pm
Th, 9/26: Practice- 3:00 to 4:45pm, MBS Field

We Walk By Faith ... in Wisdom

It's important to "walk by faith" through the Word of God, the Holy Spirit, and godly wisdom