



# The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

AUGUST 20, 2020

## DATES FOR YOUR PLANNER

- August 23 - Anna Schiebe's (Music Teacher) Birthday
- August 27 - Dress Uniforms
- August 28 - Jennifer Taffaro's (Aide for 1C) Birthday
- September 3 - Dress Uniforms
- September 7 - **Labor Day - No School**
- September 8-11 - ACT Interim

## Time & Talent

- You are responsible to log hours for your Time & Talent (Service Hours)
- Log into FACTS>Family>Service Hours (middle of screen)
- Select the family member who contributed to the hours.
  - If dad coaches, log those hours under dad.
  - If mom donates item, log that item under mom.
- For an item donated, count that as one hour of service.
- For time donated, count that as actual time spent.

**All we need is your child's size.  
One shirt is FREE with price of tuition.**

Click [HERE](#)

**Only one order will be placed. If you  
want to buy an extra shirt, do so now.  
Deadline to complete this form is  
August 28.**



*facts  
Info!*

**Correction:  
There is NO**

**app  
available  
for us to  
use at this  
time for  
FACTS.  
The app  
available is  
NOT the  
same  
program  
we are  
using.**



# CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

- Should anyone (not just students) in your family have fever, cough, congestion, headache, sneezing, loss of taste/smell, or any other COVID symptom, please keep EVERYONE home and contact Nurse Frances at [FAvery@mbsbr.org](mailto:FAvery@mbsbr.org).
- If you or a family member has been exposed to or diagnosed with COVID, keep everyone home and contact Nurse Frances at [FAvery@mbsbr.org](mailto:FAvery@mbsbr.org)
- If you or anyone in your family has been tested for COVID and are awaiting results, keep everyone home and contact Nurse Frances at [FAvery@mbsbr.org](mailto:FAvery@mbsbr.org)
- Nurse Frances will walk you through what needs to be done. If that means your student(s) must quarantine, we will allow them to participate in Virtual Learning for the specified time.

For Covid Guidelines,  
[CLICK HERE](#)

## CHILD PROTECTION

According to the Safe Environment/Child Protection Policy mandated by the Diocese of Baton Rouge, all parish and school ministry volunteers/chaperones must complete a mandatory background check and child protection training.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops revised the child protection policies. Please note that all volunteers that have a child protection file must update their file with the revised forms in order to maintain their child protection credentials.

Child protection files that are not updated will be closed during the database sweep in the summer. The update consists of the revised [Code of Ethics \(12-31-2019\)](#) and the online child protection training certificate for [Serving Vulnerable Populations](#).

The [Chaperone and Volunteer Requirements Agreement 2020-2021](#) has been attached also.. Please mark the 2020-2021 grade level of each child in the Class section. Two hours may be counted on your Time and Talent card for updating your child protection file.

Please scan and email the updated paperwork to [childprotection@mbsbr.org](mailto:childprotection@mbsbr.org).

New Volunteer New Volunteer Applications are being accepted at this time. Anyone that has not completed the child protection process for MBS School previously, please email your volunteer request to [childprotection@mbsbr.org](mailto:childprotection@mbsbr.org).

Five hours may be counted towards your Time and Talent hours completing the child protection process.

# Home & School RAFFLE

**3 MONTHS  
FREE  
TUITION**

**FIRST IN  
LINE  
CARPOOL**

## How to purchase tickets

**Option 1:** Complete a paper ticket (sent home and send cash or check payment. If you need additional paper tickets, email your homeroom teacher. They will have additional tickets to send home.

**Option 2:** Complete this google form [here](#). This version allows for online payment, cash, or check.

**DEADLINE  
AUGUST 28**

**Drawing will be August 31**



## PSR Volunteers needed

Our Parish School of Religion is in need of several adult catechists to teach our faith in the elementary grades.

Classes are held twice a month on Sunday mornings 9:15-11:00am, starting in September and lasting through April on our school campus.

Please prayerfully consider serving this ministry as a Catechist or a Classroom Aide. Contact Judy Carr at 335.6563 or email [mbspsr@gmail.com](mailto:mbspsr@gmail.com)

PSR teachers and aides receive 30 hours of time and talent.



[WWW.MBSBR.ORG](http://WWW.MBSBR.ORG)



# CARPOOL TAGS

If you need an additional tag, you may purchase one for \$10 by completing the form [HERE](#).

We will only order additional tags this one time for the 2020-21 year.

Deadline for forms is August 31. You may send your tag and money through your child. Label envelope "Carpool Tag."



## ***School Mass Info***

Due to the state's COVID guidelines and restrictions, we will limit school liturgies to one grade level per week at the present time. We are limited to the number of participants for Mass, so we are asking family members to refrain from joining school liturgies. If you choose to join us for Mass, please know that you will not be allowed to pull any student prior, during or after Mass due to our mandated guidelines and restrictions. Thank you for your understanding in this matter as our students are able to come together as a Body of Christ.



**Have you or your student witnessed how MBS is joined together by love? [Email Penne Leier](#) to have your story in our newsletter and on social media. Pictures are welcomed also.**

# Pelican Proud



Amelia Fritsche, MBS 2017 Graduate, received the AP Scholar with Distinction Award for scoring a 3 or higher on at least 5 AP exams. Amelia is a senior at Baton Rouge Magnet High School and maintains a 4.2 GPA.



## Helping Kids Deal with School SEPARATION ANXIETY

-  make & practice a goodbye ritual
-  do a practice run
-  read about it
-  stick to a routine
-  pack a transitional object
-  show excitement
-  validate feelings
-  model a positive goodbye

**PREVIOUS NEWSLETTERS**



If God hands you a cross, but you refuse to take it, He may give you a different cross, which may be heavier. Are you being called to take up your own cross as Jesus did? Or are you Simon destined to help another carry her cross?  
~Fr. Phil



Mrs. Boudreaux challenged her third graders to create a prayer corner.



**lost & found!**

Call the office to claim either of these items:



FROM OUR AMBASSADORS

# HOW IS SCHOOL GOING?

*For a lot of students hearing about the schedule change was a bit rough. We thought it was going to be a lot harder than normal. We also were unsure about what homeroom would be, how we would work with lockers, and how to use chromebooks. I noticed Monday when we got back, it wasn't really that hard. Everyone had adjusted pretty well to the new schedule. Switching classes is a lot easier, because the hallways aren't as packed.*

- Hannah Boudreaux

*Everyone has been wonderful at wearing their masks and physical distancing to protect others. Our 8th graders have also been great at helping the kindergartners find their way through the school. Our 5th-8th students have also gone through some changes regarding their day and how many classes they have, but they have been so amazing adapting to these new procedures.*

*We are expecting an amazing year.*

-Kendyl Edwards

*This week I helped walk kindergartners and pre-k kids to their classrooms. While we were walking I asked them if they liked their teacher, they all said yes. (It was adorable!) One kid said their favorite part of the day was nap time. Another said the slides were their favorite thing to do on the playground. Anyway the point is the little kids at our school like it here. Even one kid who cried because he had to get out of the car stopped after a few minutes in his classroom.*

-Isabella Stevens

*I like how the teachers and staff are creating schedules so that we limit the amount of contact with other people. Classes are smaller and some classes are virtual. I think everyone at school is doing a good job with Covid prevention.*

-Aidan Medine

