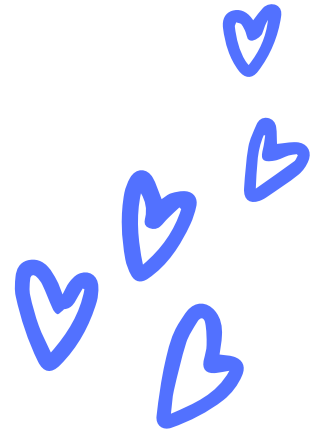




The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

APRIL 29, 2021



DATES FOR YOUR PLANNER

- May 3-7 - Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week
- May 3 - Last Day to Test for AR - 8th grade only
- May 4 - 8th Grade Exam Review Day; 8th Grade AR Free Dress Day
- May 5 - Kindness Club
- May 5-7 - 8th Grade Exams / Early Dismissal for 8th Grade only
- May 6 - May Crowning / Mass / Dress Uniforms



Click [here](#) for the latest list of items we need to be donated to the office.

Teacher & Staff Appreciation

We will be celebrating Teacher & Staff Appreciation next week. For more information on what you and your student can do, we have attached some instructions [here](#).

Teachers, please do not click - keep it a surprise.

used uniform SALE



Drop off

Tuesday, June 8th &
Wednesday, June 9th
5:30-6:30 pm

Sale

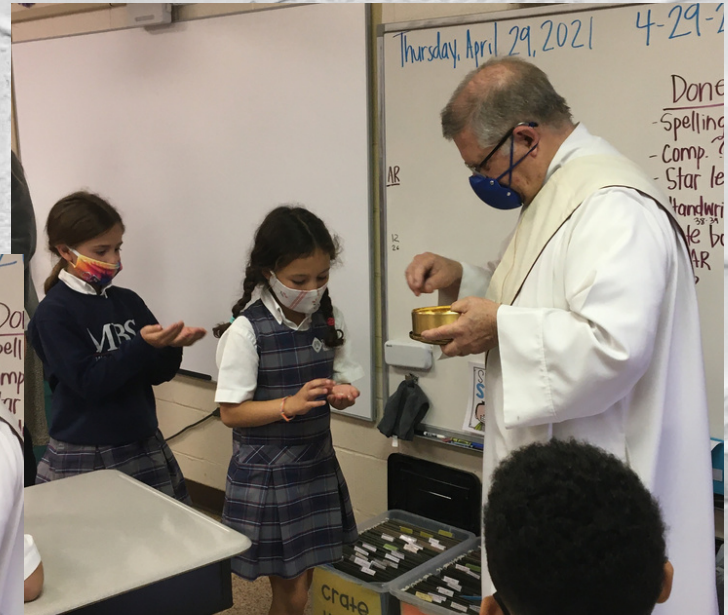
Thursday, June 10th
5:30-7:30 pm

St. John Room, MBS Church

Mask Mandate is still in effect at MBS School as well as MBS Church. Please continue to send your students with masks to school. Please continue to wear your masks to mass.

Thank you,
Mrs. Cheri Gioe & Father Phil
Most Blessed Sacrament

First Communion with classmates



Thursday, May 6th is May Crowning

All students are invited to bring flowers from home to place at Mary. Students who attend Mass virtually will place flowers at Mary on the school campus.

All flowers will be brought to church to be placed at Mary.

OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION

According to the Safe Environment 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.

Please note that MBS School child protection requirements are not the same as MBS Church Parish. Therefore, if you are compliant for one, you are not automatically compliant for the other.

Child Protection credentials allow the holder of these credentials the opportunity to chaperone/volunteer at MBS Parish or School. All credentialed adults must abide by the sign-up and confirmation process for each event.

Please be aware that many files have been closed due to inactivity, and/or files not being updated.

Please contact Mrs. Landry at 225-753-5526 or childprotection@mbsbr.org for assistance with child protection credentials.



Do you shop on Amazon?

By adding Most Blessed Sacrament as your "Charity of Choice," a portion of your shopping total goes to MBS.

- Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/>
- Save ^^ that link as the URL to shop on
- Items with AmazonSmile Logo qualify.
- Your prices don't change and 0.5% of your price goes to MBS
- \$1141.63 has been donated to MBS through March 2021
- Click [here](#) for more information.

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Vacation Bible School

June 21 - June 25

9am - noon



For Children entering Kindergarten through 5th Grade
(for the 2020-21 school year)

ALL ABOARD!

On this Summer's
Greatest Adventure

REGISTRATION:

May 1 - May 18

MBSparish.org

At Rocky Railway, children discover that Jesus pulls
them through life's ups & downs.

The week will be filled with Scripture, games, drama, crafts, snacks,
and a whole lot more!

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please call Judy Carr
225.335.6563

HS TEEN VOLUNTEERS

Apply online May 1-18
Through VBS Registration

\$35 Registration includes:

- T-shirt
 - One music CD per family
- Registration Non-Refundable

Limited to 80 participants

MBS Summer Schedule

MBS School Office

The school campus will be closed this summer due to the construction going on in the gym, Bishop Ott, & all classrooms. The MBS Office can be reached via phone on the following days beginning on June 7th:

Monday - Thursdays, June 7-July 29, 8am-12pm

The office will be closed on Fridays until school begins.

Vacation Bible School

VBS will take place at the Early Learning Center. Information on registering is in this newsletter.

Cheer & Dance

Cheer and Dance camps/practices that are held on campus will take place in St. Ursula and can be accessed from the Rear Parking lot. A coach will meet you to let you in.

Summer Help

As the summer construction is completed, we will need student and parent help to bring texts and furniture back to classrooms. If you want to help, please email Penne at PLeier@mbsbr.org. She will contact you as projects arise.

Middle School Study Skills

Students going into 6th, 7th, and 8th grade will be invited to attend a Summer Study Skills course. Details will be coming in next week's newsletter.



Time & Talent Update

The following change has been made to the Parent/Student Handbook regarding Time & Talent (aka Service Hours):

Parent's Commitment to Church and School One of the requirements for enrollment and/or retention at Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School is a commitment to the following agreement.

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- In addition to daily prayer at home, the Catholic members of our family will attend Mass every weekend and on Holy Days of Obligation.
- Twenty (20) hours of Time and Talent will be given to the school and/or Church each year. Hours must be completed between January 1 and December 31 to receive the in-parish tuition rate. These hours are reviewed each year.
- A minimum amount of \$325.00 will be donated to the Church to support the stewardship program as an Identified Offertory Giver (IOG). IOGs will receive in-parish tuition. Donations will be verified by December 15 unless otherwise authorized by the Pastor. Any offerings thereafter will count towards the following school year.

Definition of an Hour

One (1) hour is defined as an actual hour of volunteer work or donation purchases of \$10.

New Students Clause

Time and Talent hours are prorated for new students. However, new families must still meet the IOG requirement of \$325.00 to receive in-parish tuition.

Log your Service Hours into FACTS.

Go to Family > Family Home. You will see "Service Hours" in the middle of the screen. Click "add" to add the hours. You must type in a description. Select "type a custom value," and then type your description.

Sending Items to School

Please label your items that you send to school from a SignUp Genius:

- **Parent Name (signed up on the SUG)**
- **Name of item**
- **Title of Sign Up (ex: 5th Grade Auction Basket)**

This helps us match your hours in FACTS.

Interventions for Students who Struggle with Task Initiation

Clipart by Kate Hadfield & Sarah Pecorino



www.thepathway2success.com

Pathway
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Teach task initiation skills explicitly



Use a countdown timer



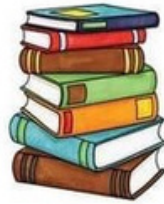
Incorporate areas of student interest



Provide directions orally & visually



Practice the "rocket ship countdown"



Reduce most challenging work



Train peer mentors to provide support



Use brain breaks between tasks



Make it a race to get started on work



Take turns writing to get started



Develop a work contract with rewards



Give more student choice

We have all worked with kids who struggle with task initiation skills! These are the students who really struggle to get themselves going. Sometimes it even looks like they are purposely avoiding work - sharpening their pencil 12 times or just staring at their paper. While this is really frustrating for the teacher and parent, just imagine how difficult it is for the student if he/she really lacks the skills to get going!

It's really important to consider if this is an executive functioning deficit, since skills can be taught and practiced! Here is just a quick visual on interventions for kids who struggle with task initiation. What else could you add to your list to help your student/child?