

The Pelican Express

SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

DATES FOR YOUR PLANNER

September 9 - Progress Reports Online / School Mass / Dress Uniforms September 16 - School Mass / Dress Uniforms September 17 - Spirit Shirt Day September 22 - Praise & Worship September 24 - Middle School Students Do NOT Attend School

September 27 - PK-5 Students Do NOT Attend School

MAKEUP DAYS

Hurricane Ida

Make-up days due to Hurricane Ida will be December 20 and January 4. Plan accordingly. If students are absent on these days, the absences will be unexcused.

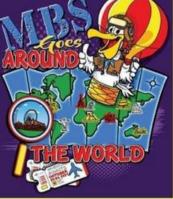
PROGRESS REPORTS

Today is **PROGRESS REPORT DAY!** Log into **FACTS after 3pm to see how your student is progressing this 9 weeks**.



ONLINE ORDERS & VOLUNTEER SIGN-UPS WILL BEGIN SOON







No School

Teachers will have Professional Development Days in September that affect students:

Friday, 9/24 PK-5 students do ATTEND. Middle School Students do NOT ATTEND.

<u>Monday, 9/27</u> PK-5 Students do NOT ATTEND. Middle School Students do ATTEND.

Buses, carpool, extended care are as normal.



The September Lunch menu will resume on September 13th. Please find the menu <u>here</u>. No Choices until further notice.



Praise & Worship

All 3rd-5th graders are invited to the Praise & Worship Meeting on Wednesday, September 22, 7:20 St. Ursula

Barberito Photography has halted the shipment of Class Portraits due to extensive damage to their studio from Hurricane Ida. Orders <u>should</u> resume in two weeks.

> Picture Retakes are still scheduled for Wednesday, October 27.

Closet Clean-Out: September 20 – 27



The fifth graders are sponsoring their annual Closet Clean-Out project to help the St. Vincent de Paul stores that help clothe the needy in our community.

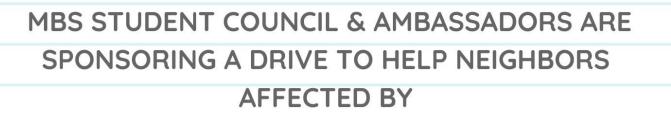
Beginning Monday, September 20 through Monday, September 27, the fifth-grade students will collect donated items. This is a great opportunity to clean out and organize closets. Please donate gently used clothing items. When packing items, be mindful that students will be collecting them, so place your donation in plastic bags or small boxes.

If you have many items whereas you need to bring them to school, you may bring items to the front gate on the morning of Wednesday, September 22nd.

Please note that is the only day you may bring donations to school other than sending items

with your child. Sharing with others is a beautiful act of love and we all have something to share with God's family in need.

Thank you for your generosity!





Items needed for LaPlace churches & Houma Diocese

- work gloves, disposable gloves, tarps
- bleach, cleaners, hand soap
- storage containers, boxes, large yard/contractor garbage bags
- water, gatorade, powerade
- toiletries, batteries, baby wipes, diapers
- gift cards to Home Depot, Lowes, Wal-Mart

Bring items to MBS by September 17.



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Parents of

Korinne Aucoin - Dental Whitnening Trays

Cameron Russell - MBS Sweatshirt

Ethan Nguyen - MBS Blanket

Maxwell Johnson - City Pork Gift Card

Regan Watkins - Inkas Gift Certificate

Madeline McArdle - Rodan & Fields products

Lucia Rico - Inkas Gift Certificate

Items will be sent home today and tomorrow.



We would love for you to help us in the Cafeteria! Please click <u>here</u> to sign up to help during September.



All Middle School students are invited to attend our MBS Junior High Night Sunday, September 19 6:30-8:00 MBS School Gym Service and the service of the servi







CORNER

MBS welcomes an intern to the counseling program this year! She would like to introduce herself:

Ashtyn Henderson LSU Master's of Social Work Intern

I grew up in Baton Rouge and went to high school here. However, I attended and graduated from University of Louisiana at Monroe with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and a Minor in Vocal Performance. Currently I am attending LSU for my Master's in Social Work. I chose social work because I felt I could learn more on how to better advocate for children, teenagers, and families in different aspects.

A few fun facts about me are:1. I love to travel and have had the fortune of visiting the United Kingdom.2. My favorite snack food is popcorn.3. During my undergrad, I was a part of an off-campus ultimate frisbee team.

This hit home for me.

When a flashlight grows dim or quits working, do you just throw it away? Of course not. You change the batteries. 🖋 . When a person messes up or finds themselves in a dark place, do you cast them aside? Of course not! You help them change their batteries. Some need AA...attention and affection; some need AAA...attention, affection, and acceptance; some need C....compassion; some need D...direction. And if they still don't seem to shine...simply sit with them quietly and share your light. 💞

COUNSELOR'S

OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Database Sweep of Files

The Diocese of Baton Rouge conducted a sweep of the child protection database in early March. If your child protection file was not updated prior to the sweep, then your file was closed.

Please email Mrs. Landry at childprotection@mbsbr.org to check the status of your file and/or receive the required paperwork to reactivate your file. Child Protection credentials allow the holder of these credentials the opportunity to chaperone/volunteer at MBS School. All credentialed adults must abide by the sign-up and confirmation process for each event.

2021-2022 Chaperone and Volunteer Agreement

All volunteers with updated, active files must complete and submit this school year's Chaperone and Volunteer Requirements Agreement prior to volunteering. Please find the agreement <u>here</u>. You may scan/email the completed agreement to childprotection@mbsbr.org.

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. Please note that five hours may be entered in FACTS for "Time and Talent" service hours for completing the child protection process.

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
- \$1608.00 has been donated to MBS through July 2021
- Click <u>here</u> for more information.

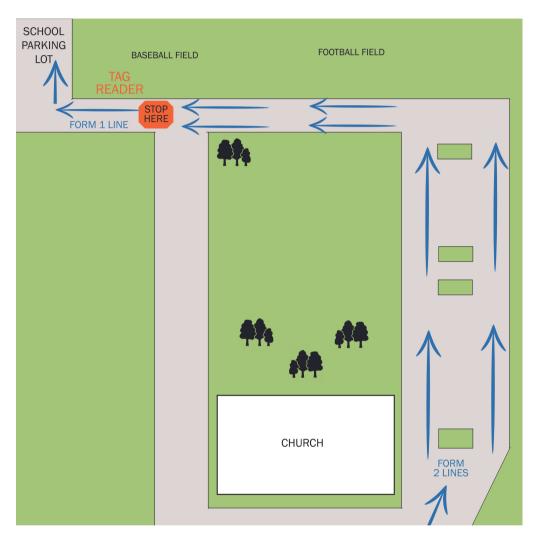








Everyone is to use last year's carpool tag. If you are in need of a new tag or an additional tag, please complete the form on the next page.



<u>Morning Carpool:</u> 7:20-7:50 Tardy Students must be signed in by an adult.

Afternoon Carpool: 2:45-3:10 Students not picked up will be sent to Extended Care for a Drop-in Fee.

Check Handbook for Complete Procedures.

- All carpool traffic must enter the campus through the CHURCH parking lot on Jefferson Hwy. Only two cars (who were awarded this privilege at the Spring Auction) are allowed to enter through Baringer.
- Two lines form and turn into one line at the CAR RIDER PRO TAG READER sign. Afternoon carpool: *Do not enter the single-line through the car rider tag reader until 2:30.*
- Each car proceeds into the SCHOOL parking lot through the gate.
- Continue to proceed along the gym and courtyard until directed to stop.
- Afternoon carpool: proceed to an open, colored cone.
- Allow the teacher on duty or the Safety Patrol student to open the door.
- Direct your child to sit and buckle when you are in the parking lot or gravel lot.
- More information about Transportation and Carpool may be found in the <u>Parent/ Student</u> <u>Handbook</u>.

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.

- 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

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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.