

The Pelican Express

APRIL 6, 2023

CALENDAR

April 7-14

Easter Break (Contingency Days are not used - enjoy the whole week off)

April 18

- Progress Reports available in FACTS Although we refer to them as "reports," there is no official document. We close FACTS to teachers so that parents can see the students' current grades on this day.
- · Taste Fair set up in St. Ursula.

April 19

- Kindness Club Meeting, 7:20, Library
- Taste Fair Taste Fair is a 3-grade event and is helped by every other grade level in order for the 3rd grade parents to enjoy the event with their children. All are invited to help. Signup is in this newsletter.
- Spring Sports Pictures Volleyball & Track Send uniforms with your athlete to school. Students aren't allowed to call home for forgotten items.

April 20

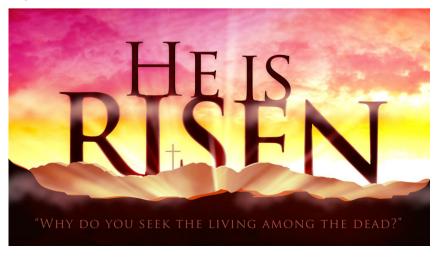
- PK/K Muffins with Moms
- Mass, 8:15am, Dress Uniforms

April 21

Pelican Games - students should wear spirit shirts with uniform bottoms...no accessories.
 Schedule for Pelican Games is following this page.

April 24-25

Terra Nova Testing - 3rd-8th Grade Students



Pelican Games

Schedule

7A 7B 8A 8B	5A 5B 6A 6B	3A 3B 4A 4B	1A 1B 1C 2A 2B	PREKB KA KB		
FIELD GAMES 1-3 (FOOTBALL FIELD LEFT)	CAPTURE THE FLAG	FIELD GAMES 4-6 (FOOTBALL FIELD CENTER)	INFLATABLES (CHURCH GREEN FIELD) (SNOWBALLS)	FIELD GAMES 7-9 (FOOTBALL FIELD- RIGHT)	8:30-9:15	
CAPTURE THE FLAG	FIELD GAMES 4-6 (FOOTBALL FIELD CENTER)	INFLATABLES (CHURCH GREEN FIELD) (SNOWBALLS)	FIELD GAMES 7-9 (FOOTBALL FIELD- RIGHT)	FIELD GAMES 1-3 (FOOTBALL FIELD LEFT)	9:25-10:10	
FIELD GAMES 4-6 (FOOTBALL FIELD CENTER)	INFLATABLES (CHURCH GREEN FIELD) (SNOWBALLS)	FIELD GAMES 7-9 (FOOTBALL FIELD- RIGHT)	FIELD GAMES 1-3 (FOOTBALL FIELD LEFT)	CAPTURE THE FLAG	10:20-11:05	ROTATION SCHEDULE
LUNCH IN CLASSROOMS					11:05-11:50	CHEDULE
INFLATABLES (CHURCH GREEN FIELD) (SNOWBALLS)	FIELD GAMES 7-9 (FOOTBALL FIELD- RIGHT)	FIELD GAMES 1-3 (FOOTBALL FIELD LEFT)	CAPTURE THE FLAG	FIELD GAMES 4-6 (FOOTBALL FIELD CENTER)	11:55-12:45	
FIELD GAMES 7-9 (FOOTBALL FIELD- RIGHT)	FIELD GAMES 1-3 (FOOTBALL FIELD LEFT)	CAPTURE THE FLAG	FIELD GAMES 4-6 (FOOTBALL FIELD CENTER)	INFLATABLES (CHURCH GREEN FIELD) (SNOWBALLS)	12:55-1:40	
CLOSING / AWARDS / TEACHER GAMES (ON CHURCH FIELD)					1:50-2:35	
DISMISSAL FROM CLASSROOMS					2:45	

Volunteerism

- In order to volunteer on school or church campus, you must go through the Office of Child Protection to update your credentials.
- Upcoming Events where volunteers are needed:
 - o Grade-level retreats ongoing
 - · Cafeteria Helpers ongoing
 - Pelican Games April 21
 - May Crowning May 4
- Monitor the Newsletter for opportunities as they arise.

OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION



According to the Safe Environment Policy promulgated by the USCCB and 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. Please email Mrs. Landry at childprotection@mbsbr.org to check the status of your file and/or receive the required paperwork to activate your file.

2022-2023 Chaperone and Volunteer Agreement

All volunteers with active files must complete and submit this school year's Chaperone and Volunteer Requirements Agreement and the Code of Ethics Acknowledgement Form (page 5 of CoE document). Please find the agreement here and Code of Ethics here. Please scan/email the completed paperwork to childprotection@mbsbr.org. One service hour may be counted in FACTS for updating the agreement and CoE.

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 once the child protection process is completed.

Volunteer Opportunities are posted here weekly.

Taste Fair items



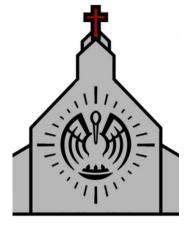
Volunteers

Taste Fair Servers

Cafeteria Volunteers

Taste Fair Setup

Pelican Games Volunteers



Office of...

Oh, Mary, We Crown Thee with Blossoms today

Throughout history, Catholics have honored the Blessed Virgin Mary during the month of May. A statue of Mary is placed in a dedicated area surrounded by flowers to symbolize her significance in our faith. The "May Crowning" is a visual display/reflection of her queenship as the mother of Jesus and a mother to all.

Students are asked to bring a flower for Mary on **Thursday, May 4**, 2023. As a tradition, an eighthgrade student will crown Mary during Mass. The second graders, dressed in their First Communion attire, will process to the altar, and adorn Mary with flowers as well.

A and C classes will bring their flowers to Church, and B classes will bring their flowers to our new Mary statue in the courtyard.

May we honor Mary with an abundance of flowers.



Christian Fornation

Fime & Talent (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.

- 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.

BBQ CHICKEN DINNERS

MBS MEN'S CLUB'S

APRIL 23

\$10 DINNERS
SOLD AFTER ALL MASSES

EACH DINNER INCLUDES

1 HALF-CHICKEN
POTATO SALAD
BAKED BEANS

2023-24
Extended Care
Registration is open!
Click
here to Register.

MBS Parents
requesting bus
service for the 202324 school year
need to complete
this <u>form</u>.
by May 1
School code:
502008



Eighth Grade Students who want to be considered for the Danny Major Scholarship, click <u>here</u>.

K-8th Grade Students who want to be considered for the Francis Guillory Scholarship, click <u>here</u>.

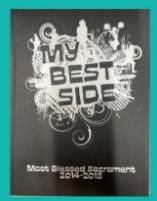
YEARBOOKS

Order your 2022-23 yearbook now!

Click <u>here</u>.

Deadline is May 15.





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Please text Myra Pitts your order @ 202-253-4796.

Once she verifies your order is available she will respond with payment and pickup information.

MBS HOME AND SCHOOL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMMBERS

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We are looking for volunteers, to serve in the following roles:

- President-Elect
- Vice President-Elect
- Secretary-Elect



Members will:

- Shadow current members for one year and assume positions in 2024-2025
- Duties include budgeting, planning and facilitating Home and School Activities

Contact Cheri Gioe at cgioe@mbsbr.org or Ali Branigan at ali.branigan3@gmail.com

MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

CAMP KINDERGARTEN

JUNE 12-16 8:30AM-11:30AM

Available for incoming MBS Kindergarten students to explore the books & illustrations of author Laura Numeroff through literacy and math stations, art, and special snacks

Limited Space

\$175 REGISTRATION

Faciliators:

Polly Rinaudo - PRinaudo@mbsbr.org Shannon Sulfsted - SSulfsted@mbsbr.org

Click here to register.



SCAN OR CODE TO REGISTER

New Date for Babysitter Course.

Click <u>here</u> to register.





APRIL NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

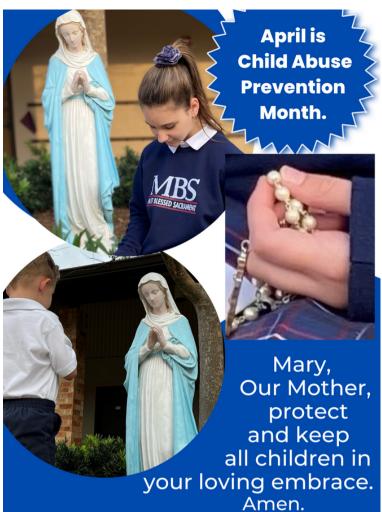


Almighty Father in heaven, I ask for your strong arms of protection to be around all children.

That they may be held safely within your love.

Fill their days and nights with hope & joy. Fill their hearts and minds with your truth and light.

We trust in you. Amen.



April is designated National Child Abuse Prevention Month. We are called through scripture and teaching to protect the life and dignity of all people. Throughout the year, but especially in April, there is a commitment to bring awareness to the community, and to pray for healing for those who have suffered abuse. Child Abuse Prevention Month recognizes the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child abuse and neglect.

In 2008, Prevent Child Abuse America® introduced the blue pinwheel as the national symbol for child abuse prevention.

The pinwheel is a symbol of innocence and joy. Blue is a symbol of hope and heavenly grace. The pinwheel represents the safe childhood that every child deserves, and the role we each play in providing a loving and supportive environment for the children in our lives.

For more information, please visit the links below

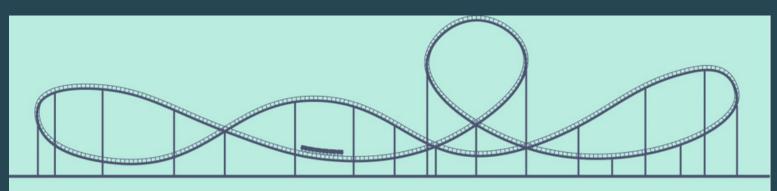
https://diobr.safeenvironment.org/login/index.php

https://www.usccb.org/committees/communications/abuse-prevention-resources

OFFICE OF CHILD AND YOUTH PROTECTION

EVERY COMMUNITY AWARE

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

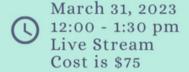


THE EMOTIONAL LIVES OF TEENAGERS

A Virtual Workshop for Parents with Mary Pesses, LCSW and Alaine Williamson, LPC

Parents will learn:

- What to expect with normal adolescent emotional development and when to worry
- Why mental health is not about "feeling good" but about managing the feelings that fit the moment
- Strategies for when teens feel at the mercy of their emotions
- How to approach today's common challenges with teens such as spiking anxiety and the pull of social media
- Ways to foster the kind of relationship that teens need and ultimately want





Questions? Email info@marypesseslcsw.com





Mary Pesses, LCSW and Alaine Williamson, LPC maintain private practices in Baton Rouge focusing primarily on the mental health of children, adolescents, and young adults. They are committed to the use of sound research and evidence-based practices combined with years of clinical experience.

Parents have the opportunity to submit questions via email, during registration, or throughout the workshop. The research-based content of this workshop is primarily from the works of Dr. Lisa Damour, psychologist, director of the Laurel Center for Research on Girls, and author of *Under Pressure*, *Untangled* and *The Emotional Lives of Teenagers*. © 2016, 2019, 2023 Lisa Damour, PhD.





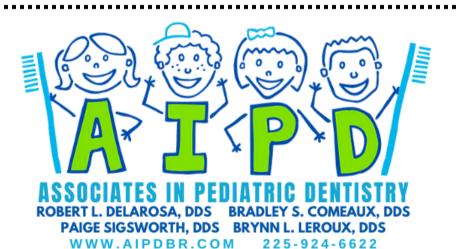
https://www.welshscleaners.com/

MBS Children: Olivia Ostrander PK4 Kvlie Ostrander ALUM Jerry Ostrander ALUM

MBS Children:

Tristan - 8th grade, Paisley - PK

MBS Children: Bentley - 5th grade Addison - Alum '22







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MBS Children:

Parker- 2nd grade

Riley - 1st grade



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MBS Children: Clayton - 5th grade Marilyn - 3rd grade Gwendolyn - K



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MBS Children: Ava Santos - Kindergarten



MBS Children: Knox, 2nd grade Luca, ELC, 3YO

www.nguyendentalcare.com



MBS Children: Beau Henderson - 6th grade Anne-Claire Henderson - 2nd grade







Facebook Page

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MBS Children: Felicity - 3rd grade



MBS Children: Mary Commander - 3rd grade Maggie Commander -PK

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Kids eat free Mondays

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> MBS Children: Ryan - Alum Luke - 7th grade

- all-natural rotisserie chicken
- dry-rubbed chicken
- fresh, never frozen
- slow-roasted over real wood
- salads & sandwiches
- family meals & catering
- order through app for rewards, discounts, and other deals

dine-in, carryout, or delivery



MBS Children: Flynn - 4th grade, Hayes - 1st grade

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MBS Daughter: Nora Montet, PK



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MBS Children:

Carson - Alumnus,

Bella Rose - 6th grade

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MBS kids: Arden 6th grade, Ryker 7th grade





MBS Children: James Davis -4th grade Luke Davis - ELC, 3YO



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MBS Children: Luke - 2nd grade; Drew - ELC, 3YO



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MBS Children: Melody - 2nd grade, Margo - PK4



MBS Children:

Hayes - 1st grade, Emorie - 7th grade

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MBS Son: Brady Pitre - 7th grade



MBS Children: Capri Godso - Kindergarten