



# The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

APRIL 20, 2023

## CALENDAR

### April 21

- Regular School Day - regular uniforms. Pelican Games is now on Friday, April 28

### April 24-25

- Terra Nova Testing - 3rd-8th Grade Students

### April 26

- Praise and Worship, St. Ursula, 7:20. Please wear regular uniform shirts. Breakfast will not be served. Parents please park behind Ursula and walk students to Ursula side door. The door will close at 7:30.
- Instrument Testing for 5th-7th grade students who are interested in learning more about instruments. Will take place during 7th hour activity period. Please encourage your student to attend.
- MBS Night at Kendra Scott, see page 7
- Community Commitment Night with Firehouse Subs - see page 6

### April 27

- School Mass, 8:15am, dress uniforms
- Adoration after Mass
- MBS Night at Kendra Scott, see page 7

### April 28

- Pelican Games/Spirit Shirt Day - students should wear spirit shirts with uniform bottoms...no accessories - see page 5

### April 29

- First Eucharist for our 2nd graders!

### May 1-2

- Eighth Grade Youth Legislature at the State Capitol

### May 1-5

- Teacher Appreciation Week - see page 8

### May 4

- May Crowning - Bring a flower for Mary - see page 4
- Talent Show Tryouts - see page 15

### **MENU CHANGE**

**FRIDAY, 4/21**  
**NACHOS**

**FRIDAY, 4/28**  
**BAG LUNCHES**

# 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:
  - Grade-level retreats - ongoing
  - Cafeteria Helpers - ongoing
  - Teacher Appreciation week
  - 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.*



[May Crowning Volunteers](#)

[Teacher Appreciation Week](#)

[Dad Carpool Takeover](#)

[Cafeteria Volunteers](#)

[April Faculty Meeting Items](#)

# April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

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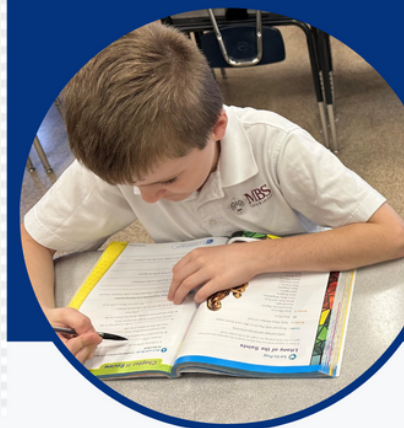
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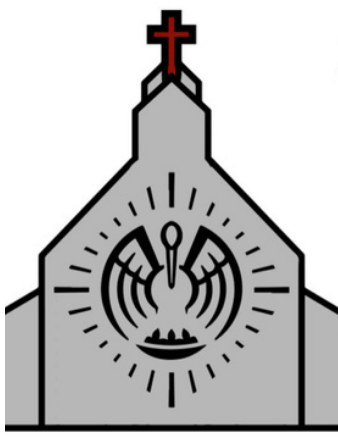
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CHILD SAFE**  
EVERY COMMUNITY  
AWARE



Office of Child and Youth Protection

Children deserve a  
safe place to learn.





# Office of...

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## 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 eighth-grade 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.



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# Christian Formation



# PELICAN GAMES

- **"Pelican Games" has been moved to Friday, April 28.**
- **Students are to wear Spirit Shirts and uniform bottoms.**
- **Accessories (hats, sunglasses, etc.) are not allowed.**
- **Students may bring towels and water bottles.**
- **Please put sunscreen on your child the morning of Pelican Games. Teachers may not reapply sunscreen.**
- **Parents/Guardians may only attend Pelican Games if they have already signed up and have been cleared to volunteer.**



# Join Us As We Feed Community Spirit.

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Help raise funds for  
**MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL**  
**FROM 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM**  
**Wednesday, April 26th, 2023**

**FIREHOUSE SUBS (2 Locations)**  
17357 Airline Highway, Prairieville, LA 70769  
6555 Siegen Lane,, Baton Rouge, LA 70809

15% of proceeds to benefit the school when you mention MBS.

# Shop for Mother's Day or Graduation Gifts & Give Back to MBS

## *Shine Bright, Do Good*

JOIN US FOR A  
KENDRA GIVES BACK EVENT

### DATE & TIME

**Wednesday, April 26th, 2023  
4:00pm - 6:00pm**

### DETAILS

Join us in-store for a  
Kendra Gives Back event supporting  
Most Blessed Sacrament School!  
Complimentary sips and sweets  
will be served!  
Mention this at checkout for 20% of  
your purchase to directly support  
this organization.  
See you there!



## *Shine Bright, Do Good*

JOIN US FOR A KENDRA GIVES BACK EVENT

### DATE & TIME

**April 26th and 27th, 2023**

### DETAILS

Use web coupon code  
**"GIVEBACK-DRABL"** on [kendrascott.com](https://kendrascott.com)  
at checkout for 20% of your  
purchase to support this cause!



KENDRA SCOTT



**MBS**  
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**Shop all day on  
the 26th or 27th  
in store or online  
and Mention  
MBS!**



# TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK MAY 1ST - 5TH

## MONDAY

### RISE & SHINE

ENJOY A DELICIOUS  
BREAKFAST IN THE LOUNGE  
7:30 A.M. - 8:30 A.M.

## TUESDAY

### JUST POPPIN' BY

STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO  
BRING THEIR TEACHERS  
FAVORITE SNACKS AND DRINKS.  
TEACHERS: GOT TOO MUCH OF THE SAME?  
TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SNACK  
EXCHANGE IN THE LOUNGE!

## WEDNESDAY

### FUEL UP

MEXICAN LUNCH BUFFET  
PROVIDED IN ST. URSULA  
10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.



MBS WILL BE CELEBRATING TEACHER & STAFF  
APPRECIATION WEEK MAY 1ST-5TH AND WOULD LOVE  
FOR YOU TO JOIN US IN SHOWING HOW MUCH WE VALUE  
THEIR HARD WORK, DEDICATION, AND COMMITMENT!  
THANK YOU FOR HELPING US MAKE THIS A GREAT WEEK  
FOR ALL OF OUR TEACHERS AND STAFF!

# WE SOAR BECAUSE OF YOU



## THURSDAY

### LIFT THEM UP

STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED  
TO BRING HOMEMADE CARDS,  
SMALL GIFTS OR NOTES TO  
SHOW THEIR APPRECIATION!

## FRIDAY

### FRESH AIR

CRAWFISH BOIL AND FUN  
AFTER SCHOOL  
3:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.



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THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES ARE SPONSORED  
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FONTENOT.REBECCA@GMAIL.COM OR  
225.939.5442. DON'T FORGET TO CHECK  
OUT THE SIGNUP FOR MORE WAYS TO HELP!

## World Day of Prayer for VOCATIONS

"Pray the Lord of the  
harvest to send laborers into  
his harvest" Mt 9:38, Lk 10:2

APRIL 30, 2023



Rev. Joshua Johnson,  
Director of Vocations

Rev. Paul Gros  
Director of Deacon Formation

CALL :  
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spayne@diobr.org  
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Compassionate Heart of Jesus,  
Listen to our prayers. Give us  
generous hearts to respond to your  
call in our lives. Lift up these  
courageous men and women willing  
after Your Sacred Heart. Help parents  
and teachers to share the faith and to  
encourage young people to explore  
religious vocations. Guide all people,  
Lord, in your ways of compassion,  
truth, and peace, that we may find  
happiness in fulfilling our vocation.

AMEN

## CALLING ALL DADS



DADS ARE TAKING OVER  
MORNING CARPOOL  
DURING TEACHER & STAFF  
APPRECIATION WEEK!

MONDAY, MAY 1ST AND  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 3RD  
7:15 A.M. - 8:00 A.M.

**SIGN UP NOW!**



# Time & 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.**

**MBS MEN'S CLUB'S**

# **BBQ CHICKEN DINNERS**

**APRIL 23**

**\$10 DINNERS**  
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24 school year  
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by May 1  
School code:  
502008

2023-24

Extended Care  
Registration is open!  
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here to Register.



## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**JUNE 19 - 23**

**9:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

**Who:** All MBS children entering Kindergarten  
through 5th Grade (2023-2024 School Year)

**Registration:** Online May 8 - 19 at  
[www.mbsparish.org](http://www.mbsparish.org)

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

#### **Adults Volunteers (18+):**

- Call Judy Carr at  
225-335-6563

#### **High School Volunteers:**

- Apply online May 8-19

### **\$40 REGISTRATION INCLUDES**

- T-Shirt
- Snack
- Music CD per family

**Registration Non-Refundable.**  
Limited to 100 participants

**Eighth Grade Students who want to be  
considered for the Danny Major Scholarship,  
click here.**

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

# YEARBOOKS



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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](mailto:PRinaudo@mbsbr.org)

Shannon Sulfsted - [SSulfsted@mbsbr.org](mailto:SSulfsted@mbsbr.org)

**Click [here](#) to register.**





# INTERNET SAFETY

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF  
CATHOLIC  WOMEN

## Prayer for Discernment in Use of Technology

Heavenly Father,

You have given us the skills and ability to create technology. We have used it often to spread the Good News of salvation and God's plan for those who believe. Please help us continue to evangelize in this way, using the gifts you have given us for good, not for evil.

Some have fallen prey to the temptations that are available on technology and have squandered the precious gift of time on mindless entertainment and valueless escapism. We can easily become slaves to technology, forgetting the incredible gift of being present to you and to one another.

Through technology, we have an easily accessible way to communicate with one another. Let us continue to witness, not only with our words, but the work we do in your name. May we always embrace our responsibility in this life - to serve you and those we come into contact with each day - as we seek a balance in our use of technology.

May we use technology and our time wisely as a means to communicate your message of love to the world. Amen.

"In my ten years of teaching, I have seen firsthand how the presence of technology and increased screen time have affected the attention spans, behavior, emotional regulation/development, information processing, and problem-solving abilities in my students."

Erica Chester, MBS First Grade Teacher

<https://www.childhood2movie.com/>

Childhood 2.0 is for anyone who wants to better understand the world their children are navigating as they grow up in the digital age.



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AGES 11-18 YEARS

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**\$250 PER PERSON**

**SATURDAY JUNE 3RD**

**9:00AM-3:00PM**

**SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER**



**New Date for  
Babysitter  
Course.  
Click here to  
register.**

# Pajama Party

Come in your favorite pjs to party with  
the MBS Cheer/Dance Team

For all girl Pelicans PK-5th

When: Friday May 12th

Time: 6pm - 9pm

Where: St. Ursula

Cost: \$20

Pizza, popcorn, and drinks will be provided

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## Most Blessed Sacrament Talent Show

### PARTICIPATION SLIP

*Tryouts in St. Ursula May 4, 3:15-4:30*

Talent or Performance: \_\_\_\_\_

Song Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Stage Equipment needed: (music stand, piano, microphones, chair, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

List all Performers' Names: (Please Print Clearly) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Contact Information: (email and cell) \_\_\_\_\_

### PERMISSION SLIP

1. All acts must adhere to a 3-minute time limit.
2. All music, lyrics, and costumes need to be submitted for review, together with your permission slip for tryouts on May 4. All music needs to be performance ready and labeled. Music, lyrics, dress, and acts are subject to approval.
3. The talent show will be held **May 22**, time TBD.
4. Students accept full responsibility for their behavior and can be asked to leave and not allowed to participate if their behavior is not within school guidelines.

-----Each child must have a separate permission slip-----

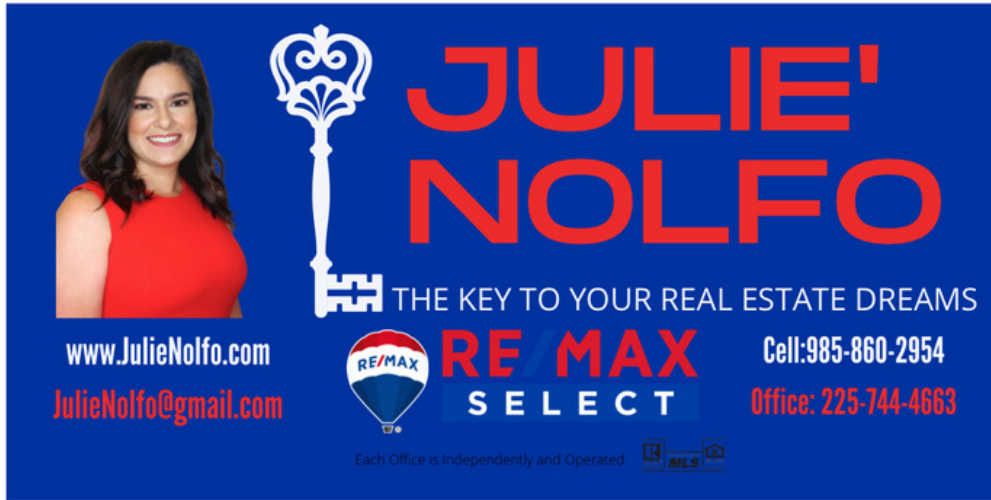
Print Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

For questions, contact Frances Avery at [FAvery@mbsbr.org](mailto:FAvery@mbsbr.org)



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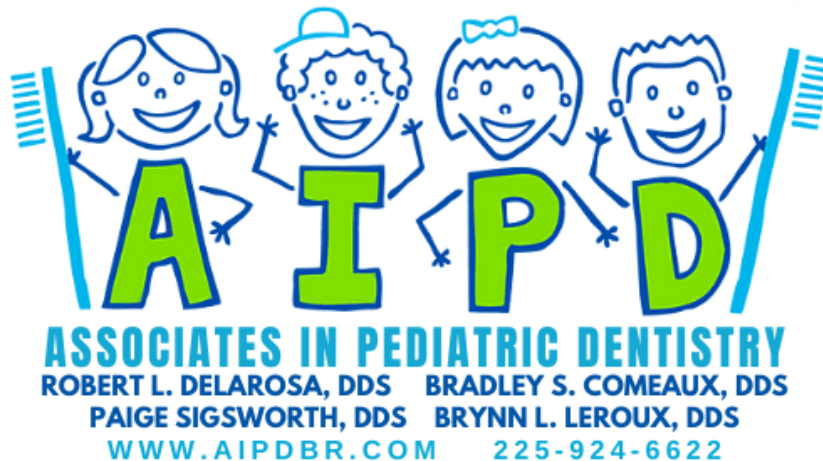
<https://www.welshscleaners.com/>

**MBS Children:**  
Olivia Ostrander PK4  
Kylie 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:**  
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Riley - 1st grade



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Amelia Jane-2nd grade*



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**MBS Children:**

**Clayton - 5th grade**

**Marilyn - 3rd grade**

**Gwendolyn - K**



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MBS Children: Felicity - 3rd grade



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**MBS Children:**

**Mary Commander - 3rd grade**

**Maggie Commander -PK**



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**MBS Children:**

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## Kids eat free Mondays

6555 Siegen Ln, Baton Rouge, LA 70809

**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
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**MBS Daughter:**  
**Nora Montet, PK**

**Ashley Terrell Ferrer**  
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**1996 MBS Alumni and Life Long Parishioner**

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

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logos

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Angela, 241-7191

**MBS Children:**  
**Carson - Alumnus,**  
**Bella Rose - 6th grade**

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# MBS Yellow Pages

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**MBS kids:**

**Arden 6th grade, Ryker 7th grade**



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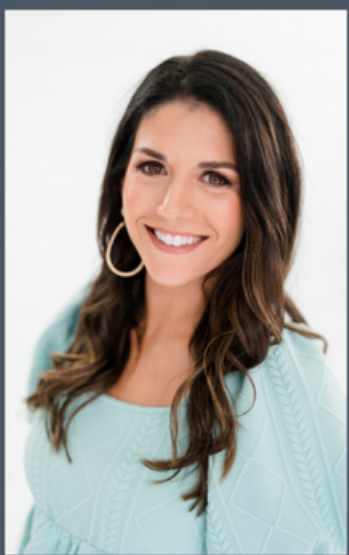
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**MBS Children:**

**James Davis -**

**4th grade**

**Luke Davis - ELC, 3YO**

**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**

[prairievilleanimalhospital.com](http://prairievilleanimalhospital.com)



<https://riverparishpt.com/>

**MBS Son: Brady Pitre - 7th grade**



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MBS Children:

Capri Godso - Kindergarten