



The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

JANUARY 16, 2025

CALENDAR

January 16

- Re-enrollment for existing 1st-7th graders in FACTS
- PK attend Mass
- Piety Awards following Mass
- Lego Robotics
- 4th Grade Maroon Basketball Game
- 4th Grade Grey Basketball Game
- 5th Grade Maroon Basketball Game
- 5th Grade Grey Basketball Game

January 17

- ****LAST DAY**** Re-enrollment for existing 1st-7th graders in FACTS
- No School for PK & K students
- Screenings for prospective PK & K students. Existing PK students do not need to screen.
- Spirit Shirts with uniform bottoms
- 6th Grade JV Basketball Game

January 18

- 3rd Grade Basketball Game

January 20

- No School for MBS Students - Martin Luther King Jr Day

January 21

- 5th Grade Religion Fair
- Fourth Grade Class Mass, 8:45, Church - Parents are invited to attend and sit with their 4th grader.
- 2nd Grade Field Trip

January 22

- 8th Grade Confession
- Pelibots
- Eco Club
- 4th Grade Maroon Basketball Game
- 6th Grade JV Basketball Game
- 6th Grade Varsity Basketball Game
- 7th Grade Basketball Game

January 23

- Mass, 8:15am, dress uniforms

January 25

- Catholic Schools Week Mass, 4:30, MBS Church
- Catholic Schools Week Reception, 5:30, Our Lady of the Eucharist Room

January 27-31

- Catholic Schools Week - see flyer in this newsletter for daily activities

January 27

- 5th Grade Maroon Basketball Game
- 5th Grade Grey Basketball Game
- 6th Grade JV Basketball Game

Lego Robotics

Students in grades 1-5 are invited to build new projects each week using critical thinking and engineering skills. 2025 Lego Robotics will be on Thursdays, January 16-February 20, 3-4pm. The cost is \$135. Click [here](#).

Upcoming No School Days

- **Monday, January 20** - no school; MLK Holiday
- **Friday, January 31** - Middle School students attend school; PK-5th graders do not attend. (Prof Development)
- **Monday, February 3** - PK-5th graders attend school; Middle School students do not attend. (Prof Development)
- **March 3-7** - no school; Mardi Gras break
- **Friday, March 21** - PK-5th graders attend school; Middle School students do not attend. (Conferences)
- **Monday, March 24** - Middle School students attend school; PK-5th graders do not attend. (Conferences)
- **April 18-25** - no school; Easter break

Enrollment

The last day to re-enroll is Friday, January 17. After this date, a late fee of \$100 will be added to the \$375 fee.

Science Fair Winners

Life Science

- 3rd Place: Lincoln Short, "How Fertilizer Affects Plants"
- 2nd Place: Gracie Link, "Mold & Strawberries"
- 1st Place: Eva Allen, "Care of Horse Hooves"

Physical Science

- 3rd Place: Vivienne Noto, "Sunscreen Effectiveness"
- 2nd Place: Christopher Arceneaux, "Best Insulator"
- 1st Place: Lucas Gill, "Bullet Accuracy"

Overall Winner

Lucas Gill, "Bullet Accuracy"

PALS Luncheon

It's time to prepare for PALS, which is Thursday, January 30! This is our annual luncheon in honor of all the church and school faculty and staff. This year's theme will be "Breakfast at MBS". In order to make this event a success, we need help from you! Please take some time to look at the Signup Genius links. The first one is a request for donations. The second is a request for volunteers. If you are Child Protection certified and able to watch a few classrooms, please consider signing up. Last year we barely had enough volunteers to cover all of the classes. Allowing the teachers to have a relaxed lunch period is part of what makes this event so special. Any help you can offer is appreciated!

Donation Signup:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F4FACAB2CA1F85-54189335-pals#/>

Volunteer Signup:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F4FACAB2CA1F85-54189055-pals>

Remember, donations of items and time count toward your Time & Talent hours. Please consider helping us out!

Quarter 2 "A" Honor Roll

Third Grade

Gianna Polito
Cara Panepinto
Jon David Adcock
Ava Crochet
Brynn Duplantis
Brynlee Bordelon
Avery LeSage
Angelina Loya
Elijah Michelli
Grant Isemann
Savannah Spencer
Hayes Ferrer
Haley Stelly
Ellie Bordelon
Zachary Gerace
Allie Montelepre
Nora Leerkes
Kinley Braud

Fourth Grade

Ella Kate Chapman
Brody Soileau
Mason Buuck
William Howland, Jr.
Nash Landry
Graham Mulhearn
Melody Muller
Jack McLemore
Cristy Otalora
Brady Boyles
Luke Boykin
Patrick Thompson
Jack Larriviere
Rowan Hagendorfer

Fifth Grade

Tony Polito
Sadie Martin
Beau Duplantis
Quinn Duvall
Jaiden Aucoin
Charlee Brouillette
Maggie Larriviere
Grayson Carroccio
Preston Marino
Colby Bellone
Joseph Morello
Gaby Otalora
Easton Clavier
Anne Marie Authement
Hannah Falgoust
Kaleb Kaiser
Marilyn Schexnaildre

Sixth Grade

Aida Casey
Gracie DiBenedetto
Maggie Reulet
Elena Rico
Aiden Bossier
Mollie Davis
Ellie Fox
Sutton Gaines
Brynn Lott
Cole Thurmond
Flynn Ferrer
Espyn Berrio
Alex Fontenot
Cecilia Chatelain

Seventh Grade

Everett Authement
Jocelyn Berault
Eloise Duvall
Marian Duet
Korinne Aucoin
Elizabeth Howland
Katherine Huynh
Bentley Comeaux
Kayleigh Comeaux
Adalyn Burrough
Amy Dantin
Harper Daigle
Allison Dryden
Claire Lagarde
Sophia Vinyard

Eighth Grade

Emme Guedry
Gracie Link
Ava Martin
Elodie Weidman
Arden Ehlers
Henry Haven
Hayden Weimer
Peyton Waldrep
Grace Irwin
Khloe Morris
Vivienne Noto
Mollie Juneau
Anthony Morello
Lucas Gill
Brant Wright
Christopher Arceneaux

Quarter 2 "A/B" Honor Roll

Third Grade

Cullen Carroccio
Kimber Alombro
Mary Camille Kern
Lucas LeBlanc
Connor Torrence
Collin Blackledge
Annalise Descant
Roman Evans
Ella Mayeux
Reagan Watkins
Riley Watkins
Kole Kaiser
Charlee Oliver
Dylan Schreiner
Amelia Clavier
Hayes Procell
Carson Rome
William Hebert
Finnley Fox
Florence Bourgeois
Juliet Delaughter
Isla Bossier
Emilia Shepherd
Charlotte Rentz

Seventh Grade

Breelynn Bouey
Audrey Davis
Elise Mulhearn
Cameron Russell
Hunter Perry
Priscilla Ortiz
Kyndal Pujol
Brayden Yarnall
Molly Haven
Griffin Toups
Kyleigh Russo
Jonathan Richard
Drew Amato
Martin LeBlanc
Joseph Leier
Victoria Viguet

Fourth Grade

Gia Link
Jaxon Fontenot
Chase Richardson
Jett Comeaux
Parker Branigan
Mia LaCoste
Knox Nguyen
Logan Bourgeois
Kellan Jenny
Lucia Rico
Cason Torrence
Lilli Fontaine
Donald Riley, IV
Gianna Jacomine
Gemma Hill
Hudson Berault
Denson Irwin
Carter Mayeux
Elsie Reulet
Perrin Waldrep
Amelia Jane Meng
Ethan Rieken
Grace Sample
Reese Marino
Louis LeFevre
Everett Meliet
Landry Stutes
Katie Richardson
Zach Boudreaux

Fifth Grade

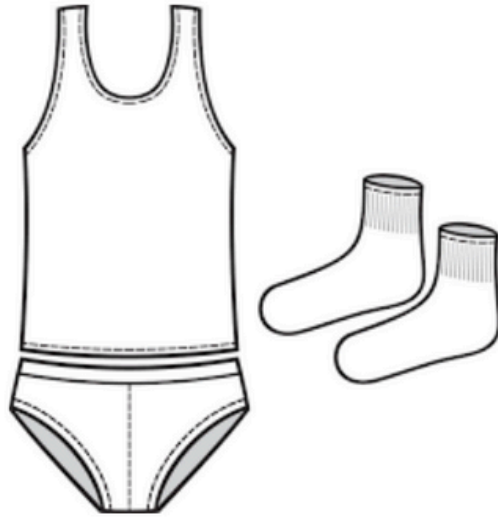
Reece Fuller
Molly Hand
Genevieve Albano
Evan Wright
Sofia Gonzalez
Mary Commander
Reed Hollis
Felicity Abarca
Addison Crochet
Natalie Brandt
Ainsley Freeman
Thad Davis
Caylee Ray
Cameron Vinyard
Ryan Copsey
Amelia Bourg
Bella Cascio-Kerr
Connor McArdle
Diana Avery
Ben Stevens
Mason Chapman
Ryker Bouey
Lucy Nizzo
Emma June Spencer
Anna Marie Robertson
James Kidd
Evie Viguet
Owen Blackledge

Sixth Grade

Crawford Meng
Mackenzie Raacke
Lexi LeBlanc
Henry Hollenbeck
Chloe Midgett
Carol Otalora
Blaize Weidman
Peyton Aguillard
Corbin Toups
Adalyn Stutes
Logan Champagne
Blake Brown
Noah Pacosz
Luke Gommel
Abram Millet
Griffin Gosnell

Eighth Grade

Annabel Arceneaux
Mason Juneau
Anna Lacombe
Graham Heimann
Carter Fuller
Lexi Montelepre
Brooke Berry
Lilly Eaton
John Meliet
Lincoln Short
Taylor Aguillard
Liam Chatelain
Bella Rose Warren
Dylan Ortiz



COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS BY THE PAIR
Are you aware that undergarments are the most
needed items at our local Children's Hospital?

**OUR PRE-KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS
ARE SPONSORING A**

**SOCKS, UNDIES, AND UNDERSHIRTS
DRIVE TO SUPPORT OUR LOCAL CHILDREN'S
HOSPITAL**

Collection runs from Monday, January 13th through
Tuesday, January 21st

Items needed are for ages:

**PREEMIE through 17 YEARS
THEIR BIGGEST NEED IS FOR TEENAGE-SIZED
UNDERGARMENTS.**

THANK YOU

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

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Forward

in faith

Gala

2.15.25

Country Club of Louisiana

WWW.MBSAUCTION.COM



**WE NEED:
SPONSORS
AUCTION ITEMS**

*Gave the
Date*



**IN MY "DADDY'S GIRL" ERA
MBS SCHOOL
FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE**

January 31, 2025

6:00 PM

Holy Family Hall

Featuring Juliette Luizza as "Taylor Swift"

Tickets are available on the Home & School [website](#).






Shirts may be purchased by clicking [here](#).

To volunteer or donate items, click [here](#).



Most Blessed Sacrament CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

JANUARY 26 - FEBRUARY 1

<p>SAT JAN. 25</p>	<p>CELEBRATE OUR FAMILIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4:30 MASS WITH SCHOOL CHOIR• RECEPTION FOR ALL MBS SCHOOL FAMILIES IN OUR LADY OF EUCHARIST HALL AFTER MASS 
<p>MON. JAN. 27</p>	<p>CELEBRATE OUR TEACHERS & STAFF</p> <p>DRESS LIKE YOUR FAVORITE TEACHER OR STAFF MEMBER</p> 
<p>TUES. JAN. 28</p>	<p>CELEBRATE OUR STUDENTS: OUR STUDENTS SHINE BRIGHTLY!</p> <p>WEAR YOUR NEON COLORS</p> 
<p>WED. JAN. 29</p>	<p>CELEBRATE OUR COUNTRY</p> <p>WEAR RED, WHITE, AND BLUE</p> 
<p>THURS. JAN. 30</p>	<p>CELEBRATE THE EUCHARIST & SERVICE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SERVICE AWARDS• NEIGHBORS WAY AWARDS• JILL PENO AWARD• MASS: DRESS UNIFORM REQUIRED• PRE K-5 OFFICER AND K9 PRESENTATION 
<p>FRI. JAN. 31</p>	<p>CELEBRATE OUR SCHOOL & COMMUNITY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• DRESS IN YOUR FAVORITE MBS COLORS OR MBS ATTIRE• MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS' BASKETBALL GAME VS. EBRSO• CONCESSIONS OPEN <p>MBS</p> 

Join us for a gumbo dinner to support the **REACH** program!



Wednesday, January 22
4:30-7:30 pm

Our Lady of Mercy
Parish Activity Center

Gumbo \$10

Potato Salad \$2

Pre-paid orders can be placed at
<https://diobr.org/reachgumbo>

The Saint Margaret of Castello REACH (Religious Education for All Children) Program in the Diocese of Baton Rouge services the diverse needs of all students within the Catholic school setting. The REACH program supports students with autism, learning disabilities, Down Syndrome, and other health impairments, as well as students needing lab services to remediate dyslexia and other reading disabilities. Currently, The REACH program has special education classrooms on 3 campuses and dyslexia lab services on 11 campuses.



MOTHER SETON AWARD NOMINATIONS OPEN

WHAT IS THE MOTHER SETON AWARD?

Every year the Diocese of Baton Rouge sponsors the Mother Seton Award Program. The Mother Seton Award honors an individual who exemplifies the qualities and service of Mother Elizabeth Anne Seton. Mother Seton was the founder of the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul and a leader in Catholic education by establishing the first Catholic elementary school in the United States in Baltimore in 1808 as well as an orphanage in Philadelphia in 1814. Mother Seton became an exemplary role model and an inspiration to others who followed in her footsteps through her life as a wife, mother, widow, and member of a religious order. She was canonized in 1975 by Pope Paul VI.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Recognized as a volunteer, not an employee of the school.
- At least 3 years involvement within the local Home and School organization.
- Dependable, hard working, self-sacrificing, attuned to the needs of the children and the school.
- Enthusiastic, generous, supportive of the educators and the administration.
- Concerned and ready to go the extra mile for Catholic education.
- A model of living Gospel values.

KNOW SOMEONE DESERVING?

NOMINATION DEADLINE:

Use this QR code or link below to submit your nominee!



[Nomination Form](#)

Friday
January 31st

Questions - contact Lauren Stelly
lwstelly@gmail.com

Volunteerism - Time & Talent

- In order to volunteer on school or church campus, you must go through the Office of Child Protection to update your credentials.
- Opportunities to volunteer and get service hours will be placed here in the newsletter.

OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION

According to the Safe Environment Policy promulgated by the Diocese of Baton Rouge, all parish and school ministry volunteers/chaperones must complete a mandatory background check and child protection training. Child Protection credentials allow the holder of these credentials the opportunity to chaperone/volunteer.

All credentialed adults must abide by the sign-up and confirmation process for each event.

Update Your Volunteer File

Please note that the Code of Ethics and the Chaperone and Volunteer Requirements Agreement must be reviewed by all volunteers of MBS School annually as required by the Diocese of Baton Rouge. Please complete and submit the Code of Ethics Acknowledgement form, page 5, and the Agreement form to the MBS Office of Child Protection to update your file.

For your convenience, you may scan and email the forms to childprotection@mbsbr.org.



January Cafeteria Help

PALS 2025 - donations

PALS 2025 - volunteers

Dad/Daughter Dance - items & volunteers



Time & Talent (Service Hours)

Parent's Commitment to Church and School

Enrollment and/or continued enrollment at Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School requires a commitment to ALL of the following:

- **Prayer and Mass** – Families must commit to daily prayer at home. Catholic families must attend weekly, Sunday, Mass on Holy Days of Obligation. Non-Catholic families must attend Sunday services at their home church.
- **Service** - Twenty (20) hours of Time and Talent 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.

Definition of an hour of Time and Talent: an actual hour of volunteer work or donation purchases of \$10

- **Weekly Church Offering** – As an Identified Offertory Giver (IOG), a minimum amount of \$325.00 must be donated, yearly, to the Most Blessed Sacrament General Offertory or Building Fund to support the Church stewardship program. Church members who meet the IOG requirement *will receive in-parish tuition*. Donations will be verified by December 15 unless otherwise authorized by the Pastor or Principal. Any offerings thereafter will count towards the next school year.

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 Athletics has launched “PELICAN POWER” Pelican Power will be an athletic department support TEAM of individuals, students, families and businesses. The Team will support the athletic department with volunteer service hours, athletic projects, and generate funds to supplement the athletic department for all student athletes.

Go Pelicans! #PelicanPower

Use this link to join Pelican Power: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/J7JvUMr0>

Please direct questions to: Tommy Krysan, tkrysan@mbsbr.org



Volleyball Registration is OPEN! Girls 5th thru 8th Grade.

Deadline is TONIGHT, Thursday, January 16 ~ 11:45pm

Registration link: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/PcX6IAcA>

Evaluations will Be Sat, Jan 18 10a-11a, Mon Jan 20 5:30p-6:30p, Players MUST attend one of the sessions! All players will be assigned to a team!

Parish Sports Tee Ball Registration is OPEN!! Girls & Boys PreK, K, 1st , 2nd

Deadline is TONIGHT, Thursday, January 16 ~ 11:45pm

Registration link: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/e58rr16O>

Looking for “Louie” ~ we are looking for 7th or 8th grade students, girls and boys, who want to be “Louie” and wear the mascot uniform at HOME sports events in the spring. If interested, please contact Tommy Krysan: tkrysan@mbsbr.org

Athletics can be an important part of a young person’s life. It teaches discipline and self-pride while helping one realize the importance of cooperation. Athletics are a component of, and interact with, the spiritual, social, and academic components of the overall school program. MBS recognizes that support from the administration, faculty, staff, coaches, parents, and fans are necessary in providing a positive Catholic athletic experience for the student-athlete. Athletes, parents, and fans are a direct reflection of MBS and should adhere to the philosophy of the school by always acting in a dignified manner.

Go Pelicans!

Tommy Krysan, Athletic Director

MBS Athletics

tkrysan@mbsbr.org



MBS ATHLETICS