



The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

SEPTEMBER 24, 2020

DATES FOR YOUR PLANNER

- September 25 - Professional Development for Teachers in PK-5. **Students in PK-5 do not attend school.** Spirit Shirt day for Middle School students.
- September 25 - Progress Reports Available (date changed)
- September 28 - last day for St. Vincent de Paul Collection
- September 30 - Eighth Grade Parent Meeting
- October 1 - Dress Uniform/Pet Blessings



Spirit Shirt Day

Dress Code for Spirit Shirt Days:

- Girls in grades Pre-K-4 may wear Class Spirit Shirt with approved uniform bottoms or over their smock dress/jumper.
- Girls in grades 5-8 may wear Class Spirit Shirt with approved uniform skirt/skort.
- Boys in grades Pre-K-8 may wear Class Spirit Shirt with approved uniform bottoms.
- Regulation school shoes and socks must be worn.
- In cold weather, regulation sweatshirt, jacket/coat must be worn.
- Spirit Shirts may also be worn with official MBS sweatpants.

- Parent-Student Handbook 2020-21, p41



How is your student doing with his/her AR Points?

Last day to test is October 5.

	Required	Free dress
3 rd grade	8	10
4 th grade	10	12
5 th grade	12	14
6 th grade	15	17
7 th grade	15	17
8 th grade	15	17
Teachers		21

More info related to AR can be found on the Library Site.

Accelerated Reading

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

- Should anyone (not just students) in your family have fever, cough, congestion, headache, sneezing, loss of taste/smell, or any other COVID symptom, please keep EVERYONE home and contact Nurse Frances at FAvery@mbsbr.org.
- If you or a family member has been exposed to or diagnosed with COVID, keep everyone home and contact Nurse Frances at FAvery@mbsbr.org
- If you or anyone in your family has been tested for COVID and are awaiting results, keep everyone home and contact Nurse Frances at FAvery@mbsbr.org
- Nurse Frances will walk you through what needs to be done. If that means your student(s) must quarantine, we will allow them to participate in Virtual Learning for the specified time.

For Covid Guidelines,
[CLICK HERE](#)

REVISED CHILD PROTECTION POLICIES UPDATE FOR CURRENT FILES EXTENDED



The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops revised the child protection policies. Please note that all volunteers that have a child protection file must update their file with the revised forms in order to maintain their child protection credentials.

Child protection files that are not updated will be closed during the database sweep. The sweep of the database has been postponed for a few weeks. There is no set date for the sweep, so please update your file now.

The update consists of the revised Code of Ethics (12-31-2019) and the online child protection training certificate for Serving Vulnerable Populations. See attachments below for more information on updating.

The Chaperone and Volunteer Requirements Agreement 2020-2021 has been [attached](#) for your convenience. Please mark the 2020-2021 grade level of each child in the Class section. Please scan and email the updated paperwork to childprotection@mbsbr.org. Please note that two Time and Talent hours may be counted this year for updating your child protection file.

DATE CHANGES

- Red Ribbon Week has been added to calendar: October 26-30
- The Dates for AR last test day/free dress day have changed for the duration of the year:

10/5/2020 Last Day for AR Tests
10/7/2020 AR Free Dress

12/14/2020 Last Day for AR Tests
12/16/2020 AR Free Dress

3/8/2021 Last Day for AR Tests
3/15/2021 AR Free Dress

5/3/2021 Gr. 8 Last Day for AR Tests
5/4/2021 Gr. 8 AR Free Dress

5/10/2021 Gr.6-7 Last Day for AR Tests
5/12/2021 Gr. 6-7 AR Free Dress

5/14/2021 Gr. 3-5 Last Day for AR Tests
5/18/2021 Gr. 3-5 AR Free Dress

*God punishes us
by loving us
more.
~Father Phil*

St. Vincent dePaul Closet Clean-out

The fifth graders are sponsoring their annual Closet Clean-out project to help the St. Vincent dePaul stores that help clothes the needy in our community.

Please donate gently-used clothing items. Place your donations in plastic bags or small boxes that the 5th graders will be able to carry. Send the items with your child to school. If you need to drop off your items, you are invited to bring them to the front gate on the morning of

Wednesday, September 30.



Items are needed for our office. Please follow the [link](#) to the signup. Thank you for signing up to donate.



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Cafeteria Reminder

According to the Child Nutrition Program Diocese of Baton Rouge, students may bring lunches from home.

Carbonated beverages, candy, and fast food are not allowed. Food brought from home should be healthy.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Progress Reports are not created.

Parents are invited to login to FACTS and view current grades as of 3pm on 9/25. Teachers will be entering grades until that time..



CORNER



MBS PASSPORTS WILL NOT BE ISSUED THIS YEAR. ALL SITES ARE VIRTUAL. MORE INFORMATION IS ON THE TECHNOLOGY [WEBSITE](#) AND WE WILL UPDATE IT AS WE RECEIVE IT. CHECK BACK!

Breathing techniques are a powerful tool for anxiety. Here are great video links to practice with your children:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N3AISJxfZDM>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2PcCmxEW5WA&list=RDCMUcGYeWtdm9GXYcdgkLph9Rcw&index=19>



We will begin live streaming school mass on Thursday mornings. Parents are invited to tune in and subscribe to our parish YouTube channel located [here](#). This is also the virtual location for our weekend masses during this dispensation time.

LOST & FOUND



Items in office:

- yellow soccer ball
- pink bracelet
- black face mask
- plaid face mask
- plaid headband
- red headband
- purple water bottle
- camo Contigo Water bottle
- black lunch box (middle school, we think)