



Good Shepherd Charger News

“In His Time”

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

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Something to Consider:

Jesus said, “A good person produces good works from a good heart.”

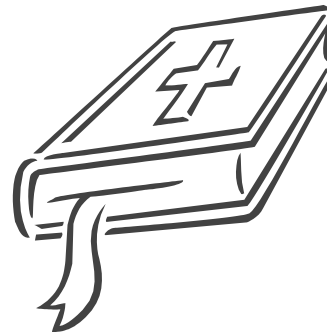
Matthew 12:35

You don't have to be a genius to know that an apple tree produces apples. You wouldn't expect it to produce watermelons or kumquats. It only produces fruit in keeping with the kind of tree it is.

Your heart is the same way. It produces words that reflect the “kind” of heart you have.

Sure, you can fake it for a while. You can try to sound sweet and sincere when your heart is really filled with anger or pride. But, eventually that “natural” fruit is going to blossom.

Watching your words begins with examining your own heart. Ask God if you have any negative attitudes that need to be uprooted. With His help, you can consistently give words of love, instead of care-



lessly tossing rotten verbal apples.

Charger Headlines:

Magazines for Teachers

Please contact your child's teacher if you want to donate a subscription to the class.

Athletic Booster Sign-up

Parents with students in grades 5-8 who are participating in athletics need to sign up to work home games. Please contact Mr. Grillot, Athletic Director, or the school office. We are still in need of parents to work home athletic contests and tournaments.

GSLs Golf Classic

Mark your calendars on Saturday, October 4th for the GSLs Golf Classic to be held at Arlington Greens. Registration is from 7:00am-8:00am with the shot-gun start beginning at 8:00am. Proceeds from this

event benefit GSLs Technology Fund. Any questions, please contact, Wayne Kemp, Mike Kober, Eric Hill, John Graney, Rick Hawkes, or Mr. Mayhew.

Birthday Books

Any families that wanted to donate a Birthday book for \$15.00, this is a great way to help our school library. please contact Mrs. Schnicker in the school office if you are interested.

Book Covers Still Available

Contact the school office if you are in need of book covers. They are still available for \$1.50 each. Proceeds from the sale of these long-lasting covers will go to scholarships. We received approximately \$260

from the sale of the book covers this year. The proceeds go to the scholarship fund. A special thank you to Lynn Sengele' and the many volunteers.

Re-Sale Shop

Thank you to the 5th grade for sponsoring the Standardized Dress Re-Sale Shop. This year's sale earned \$824. Proceeds from this event benefit GSLs Scholarship Fund!

Reaching Every Generation

The ground breaking for the new Early Childhood Center is scheduled for Sunday, September 7th at 11:45 am after late church service. We thank and praise God for this opportunity to bring our campuses together as we unite all of our ministries. All is invited to this event!

A Look Ahead

Saturday, August 30

-Girl's Pee Wee Basketball 9-11:30am

Monday, September 1

-NO SCHOOL - Labor Day,
-Early Childhood Center Closed

Tuesday, September 2

Wednesday, September 3

-Boys Baseball at Holy Cross
4:00pm

Thursday, September 4

-Chapel 8:35am

-Cross Country at Triad Middle
4:00pm

-Girls AB Volleyball Home vs
Trinity Edwardsville 6:30pm

-Girls CD Volleyball at Trinity
Edwardsville 6:30pm

Friday, September 5

-End of Magazine Sale

-Boys Baseball at Trinity Edwardsville
Tournament Through Saturday

-Girls B Volleyball at Edwardsville
Tournament Through Saturday, time TBA

-Girls A Volleyball at Green Park
Tournament Through Saturday, time TBA



Charger Headlines Continues...

Routines and Procedures

As we finished the second week of school there are many things that are still new to a brand new year. I want to stress some of the following items to make sure we are all doing the same things. First, make sure you understand drop off and pick up procedures...safety is first in what we do...your child may be dropped off at the yellow line to expedite the process. Second, if you have any questions about the classrooms, please contact the teacher as you are partnering with them in behalf of your child. And finally, we appreciate an open communication for all parents concerns to be addressed by the principal. And we ask for your prayers daily as we seek excellence. That is what makes our school special!

Late and Early Departure

When a child arrives after the bell, **you and your child** must go to the office first and sign in. When a child needs to be picked up early, the parent will need to sign the child out and then wait for the child to come to the office. Please do not go to the classroom by yourself. The teachers have been instructed not to dismiss the child unless the office calls the room to verify it. Your child's safety is important to us!

Safety Drills and Preparation

At the beginning of each school year, the staff reviews and students practice drills related to fire safety, tornado safety, earthquake safety, and other emergencies such as hostage taking, bombs, etc. These are unpleasant but necessary considerations. Mr. Mayhew welcomes questions. Please pray for the continued safety of our children and all children.

Magazines Sales Ends

The magazine sale ends Friday, Sept 5th. RENEW your magazines through Good Shepherd Lutheran School, so we can receive 40% of the sale amount. Please tell

your family and friends that their renewal will simply pick up where the subscription leaves off. Proceeds will be used to support important goals and programs that benefit our children.

Box Tops and Labels Program

We are looking for one or two parent volunteers to help with the Box Tops and Labels program. Volunteer(s) would help sort and count box tops and labels once per month (September - April). Please contact BTLP Coordinator Robin Pinkel at 618-346-1865 if interested in helping out. Thank you!

Latin at GSLS!

Salvete omnes! (greetings everyone!) Latin starts at GS on Monday, Sept. 8 after school in room 200 from 3:30-4:15 & 4:30-5:15pm.. Latin will aid your child in learning English and is a great complement to German and Spanish. Contact Lyle E. Buettner for more information: lylebuettner@yahoo.com or 618-696-2649.

Harvest Fest

Please join us on Sunday, October 5, 2014 from 2-6pm for the annual Good Shepherd Lutheran School & Church Harvest Fest. Come and enjoy a fun-filled afternoon that includes food, games, inflatables, hayride, pumpkin patch, face painting, and fellowship. Flyers and Wristband Order Forms will be sent home via email. Please contact the school office with any questions at 344-3153.

Pictures For Yearbook

We need your pictures!!! It is that time of the year again where we are thinking ahead to the yearbook. Please send in any pictures of sporting or scouting events, music events, classroom activities, field trips, parties, practices, and things I've forgotten. You can send pictures in through email to- jbatty@gslcs.org or kkrause@gslcs.org. Pictures can also be sent in on a disk or flash

drive. Thank you in advance for helping to make the yearbook great!

Charger Bucks-Scrip

Weekly orders will be processed on Monday, Sept. 8, 15, 22 & 29. (have your order in the school office by 9:00a.m.)

Walk-up sales will resume on Fridays from 2:45 - 3:30 p.m. and will continue on Sunday mornings between services. Please remember to fill out a new registration form for this school year along with your first order!!!! The Scrip Program is a tuition reduction program for Good Shepherd Lutheran School families and friends. We strongly encourage all Good Shepherd families to purchase their groceries, gasoline, clothing and other goods and services using the SCRIP gift certificates. 50% of your credits earned may go toward the reduction of your tuition or you may donate your credits toward Good Shepherd Lutheran School's General Fund. If you have any questions please contact the school office 344-3153. Tell your family & friends about this program.

Market Day

The first Market Day pick-up day of the school year will be on Monday, September 8, from 3:15-4:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Please return order forms to the school office or order online by 11 p.m. on Tuesday, September 2.

Room Parent Meeting

Our annual room parent meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 11th at 9:15 am after chapel. We will have the meeting in the cafeteria. This is a very important meeting for our volunteers with procedures, dates, and other important information will be shared to better support teachers in their classrooms. If you are unable to attend, please contact the school office for the information.

In Our Prayers this Week:

Each week this school year, the faculty will be praying for the school families. Please remember these and others in your prayers. The families of: Dani C., Kylie G., Carter H., Sydney H., Evan K., Savannah L., & Catrina L.

The purpose of Good Shepherd Lutheran School is to provide each student with a quality Christian Education. We recognize that this begins with the premise that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior and in Him we have eternal life. The curriculum and all activities are developed around this premise.

Retreads...

Welcome—Name to a Face

I would like to welcome all of our new school and returning families to Good Shepherd for our 31st year of offering a quality Christian education. I ask that you would continue to support and partner with us so we can continue to achieve our mission.

Please take the opportunity to welcome and meet every family so they feel that Christian welcome and feel apart of the Good Shepherd Family!

Automatic Tuition Program TADS

Thank you for your patience in our payment system. There are still items that need to be imported or deleted from many of your accounts. The goal is to have these issues resolved in the coming weeks.

Please call TADS at 1-800-477-8237 or email them at support@tads.com if you have a question regarding set-up of your account. If you have not set up your agreement, you need to do so soon.

Call Cheryl at 344-3153 if you have other questions regarding this system.

Summer Challenge

Don't forget the Box Tops and Labels Summer Challenge will be ending on Friday, August 29th. The grade that collected the most box tops and labels over the summer and turns them in by this due date will win a free dress day in September.

Classroom Newsletters

Classrooms are again providing a newsletter online designed for their classroom. This will provide communication from the teacher to the families in each room. Our hope is this will enhance our partnership with each family in education.

Free and Reduced Lunch Forms

Please stop by the school office if you have not filled out a form for the possibility of free or reduced lunches for the 2014-15 school year.

Re-Sale Shop

Thank you to everyone who donated clothing, worked and shopped at the Standardized Dress Re-Sale Shop. This year's sale was another great success due to everyone's generosity!

Picture Day

Picture Day is scheduled for Thursday, August 28th for the Preschool and for Fri-

day, August 29th for grades Kindergarten through 8th grade. Standardized dress will be used as our dress for the day. The purpose of these pictures are for the yearbook.

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Please RENEW your magazines through Good Shepherd Lutheran School, so we can receive 40% of the sale amount. Out of 196,000 existing magazine subscriptions in Madison County, only 17,000 are being renewed through a school. Please tell your family and friends that their renewal will simply pick up where the subscription leaves off. Our Magazine Sale began Monday, August 18th.

Chapel

Just a reminder to everyone, please no shorts/capris on Thursdays for chapel. Any noncompliance will be mentioned to the student and parent first. Repeated times will result in a note or phone call from the school office with further consequences. Your support and partnership is truly appreciated!

Entertainment Books

Entertainment books are for sale for \$30.00. Books are available through the 8th grade students, Mr. Rincker or any 8th grade student. Proceeds will go towards the 2015 class trip.

Library Magazine Donations Needed

If you would like to help our library, please consider donating a magazine subscription for the year.

We would like the following magazines for the students to use: Clubhouse, Clubhouse Jr., Cricket, Brio, Breakaway, Ranger Rick, National Geographic – Kids, Zoobooks, Your Big Backyard. Please contact the school office.

Arrival and Departure-Safety First

Patience..... This is the key to safe arrival and departure. Share this with your child's driver.

Always...Be careful when backing your car some students are not very tall.

Drive slowly – when arriving and departing. (Remind your teenage driver).

Drive according to the direction of parking spaces. Use the crosswalks and never walk between cars.

Please do not...Never, ever pass a car. This is VERY dangerous.

Do not park along the front of the building –

even for a short period of time.

During dismissal you may park before the entrance to the church, but not after.

Before School...Please do not park or have a prolonged stop in the drop off lane (Yellow curb). Pull into a parking spot instead.

Drop off along the front of school and the J curve only.

Children can walk the length of the sidewalk to the front door of the school. You do not have to pull directly in front of the school for drop off. This will help so we do not have long lines.

The front doors will open at 7:45 a.m.

After School...

It is best to park and wait for your child to come to your car or park and walk to the school entrance to meet your child.

Please do not honk your horn and remember to be patient!

Please do not park in front of the church as you wait to pick up someone.

Standardized Dress

The dress code and visual pictures are available on the website with frequently asked questions with answers. Please help us maintain this by viewing and supporting the code.

Tardy Slips

Students arriving late to school must have a tardy slip to enter the classroom after the bell has rung. When you sign in your child, the student will be given a tardy slip to take to the teacher. Arriving late due to an appointment, please bring an excuse from the doctor's or dentist's office.

Visitors

All parents picking up or dropping off their child during school hours will need to stop in the office and sign out your child. Security for the children is important to us. All visitors who come into the school building during the school hours will be identified by wearing a visitor's badge. When an individual signs in the school office, they will be issued a badge.

Important Lunch Program Updates

Lunch prices will be \$2.50. Milk is \$.50. You will receive your monthly bill through the TADS program.

Communication

Partnering to benefit your child's education and your journey here at Good Shepherd is important to us. Please refer to the handbook regarding communication. God's Blessings on the 2014-2015 school year!
