



Good Shepherd Charger News

"Anchored in Christ"

Hebrews 6:19-20

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Something to Consider:

Wise people act in keeping with the knowledge they have.

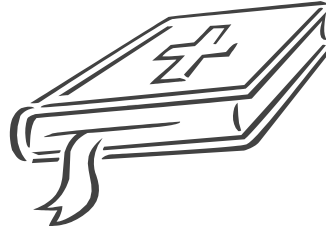
Proverbs 13:16

How much do you know? Do you have a diploma on your wall or some hard-learned life lessons to your credit? Is so, make sure that learning continues to work for you.

Putting what you know into practice will help you retain the

information you have worked so hard to acquire. If you put what you've learned on the shelf, chances are it will be more or less forgotten as time passes.

The "use it or lose it" principle is true your knowledge of God as well. If you put God and the Bible on the shelf for a while, you may have to relearn some hard lessons. Who wants to take calculus, or a painful lesson



on pride, over again? Put what you know into practice.

Charger Headlines:

NO SCHOOL

Monday, Oct. 12 there is no school in observance of Columbus Day. All classes resume Tuesday, October 13.

13th Annual Golf Classic

Thank you to all who attended and donated to the outing. Proceeds of around \$5,000, will go towards the technology fund. A special thank you to everyone who donated their time for the event on Saturday, September 26th. It was a "Team" effort in every aspect!

Harvest Fest

Thank you to the committee for all your work and to all the parents that helped with setting up, decorations, signage, doing the behind the scenes and taking down. We were blessed with beautiful weather, had an awesome day, and great fellowship for the entire school and church families. It's nice to see what can happen when

we all volunteer our time and efforts!

Blood Drive

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will once again be hosting the Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Drive on Monday, October 26, from 2:00-6:00 in the fellowship hall. You can sign up on line at www.bloodcenterIMPACT.org and use the sponsor code 9887. The summer months are very hard on the blood supplies. Please consider donating to this worthy cause.

School's Out Club

Good Shepherd has a School's Out Club that will serve the students and their families by providing, on weekdays when school is not in session, quality child care in a Christian setting. Daily hours are 6:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Bring your child to Good Shepherd School, lower level TRACKS area or ECC

building. The fee is \$40 per day. Charges will be submitted to TADS for processing unless other arrangements have been made with Mrs. Molitor. School's Out Club will be staffed by Good Shepherd Teachers and Christian adults. Send along a sack lunch that requires neither heating nor refrigeration. Stop by the school office or TRACKS to pick-up the Attendance Reservation Form. Specify the days the student will be attending and deliver the form to the school office or to Mrs. Molitor. The dates scheduled so far this school year are: Oct. 12, 16, 22, 23 and Nov 11 and 25.

MELHS Change Drive

Thank you to everyone who participated in the change drive for MELHS. With your help and support it was a success!

A Look Ahead

Saturday, October 10

-Girls Pee Wee Basketball
9:00am

Monday, October 12

-NO SCHOOL—Columbus Day
-No Scrip Orders This Week
-Board Meeting 7:00pm

Tuesday, October 13

-Girls Pee Wee Basketball
6:30 & 7:15pm
-C Volleyball Tournament @ Belleville

Wednesday, October 14

-2nd Grade Field Trip

Thursday, October 15

-Chapel 8:20am
-5th Grade Field Trip
-Christmas Sale Ends
-End of Quarter

Friday, October 16

-NO SCHOOL LSA Teachers' Conference

Saturday, October 17

-C Volleyball Tournament @ Belleville
-Cross Country SIJHSAA State Meet



Charger Headlines Continues...

Reminder for Parents

Parents who have children participating in extra curricular activities after 4:00 p.m. will need to enter the school by the T.R.A.C.K.S. area. Children will exit through the main doors of the school after practices.

Charger Bucks-Scrip

Weekly orders will be processed on Monday, Oct. 26, Nov. 2, 9, 16, & 30. (have your order in the school office by 9:00 a.m. on these dates)

Walk-up sales will continue on Fridays from 2:45 - 3:30 p.m. and on Sunday mornings between services.

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Involvement

Do you know what your children are doing at school or even outside of school activities? Studies have shown that by being involved produces positive outcomes. By being involved you show that you care, but you also model the behavior to your children, so they see the importance of helping others too!

Fall Work Day

Mark your calendars! Fall work day is Saturday, October 24th from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon. The property board would appreciate any help to keep the grounds looking great. Bring your shovels, rakes, and trimmers etc.

Food Drive

The Good Shepherd MOPS (Mother's of Preschoolers) will be hosting a Food Drive for the S.O.S. Food Pantry. We will be collecting peanut butter, jelly, fruit cups and

cereal bars. Donations will be collected by the MOPS Mom's and their children on Saturday, October 17th from 9 am to noon in the Early Childhood Center.

Peer Tutoring

Could your child use some help studying for tests? perhaps they need study tips or test-taking strategies?

Maybe they just need someone to work with them or help learn math facts?

Why not give peer tutoring a try? We have tutors ready and willing to help your child review, make flashcards, learn sight words, math facts, and help with homework.

Tuesdays and or Thursday's in the library, from 3:15 - 4:00.

No need to sign up for this free service—just come!

Early Childhood Center Update

The swings and climbing structure were installed in the Outdoor Classroom this past week. The climbing structure is made from green and brown recycled plastic lumber and features two slides, a climbing chain, a short bridge, lily-pad-style steps, and a climbing chute. The framework for the pizza garden, made from the same lumber, was built and positioned at the center of the surrounding sidewalk. Dirt for the three-foot-tall berm was delivered, and holes were dug for several new trees. School students in the Challengers classes (grades 2-8) are ready to build indoor and outdoor musical play equipment for our ECC, but they need PVC pipes and metal pipes of different lengths and thicknesses. Do you have any pipes left over from a recent home project, or know a low cost source? Please contact Susan Petersen right away because the kids are ready to get started: spetersen@gslcs.org, or 344-3153, X 203. Our ECC helps educate children starting at age three, so if you know a pro-

spective family with a two-year old, consider sending them one of our brochures, or suggesting they call us for a tour at 344-3153. You can also share our first ECC video made by member Mark Wiemers, where two moms talk about the benefits of sending their young children to Good Shepherd. To view and share the video, simply enter <http://tinyurl.com/GSECCvideo1> in your web browser and click on Mark's [August 11](#) post.

Scholastic Book Fair

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair is on October 27th-29th. The Book Fair is a great way to encourage reading! It also helps to build our school and classroom libraries. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair.

Shopping hours: 8:00-8:30 AM and 3:00-3:30 PM each day. Also, keep your eyes peeled for the volunteer form in the Friday Folders! We would really appreciate your help.

Family Reading Night

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend a Family Reading Night on Tuesday, Nov. 10 from 6:30-8:00 pm at Good Shepherd School. This event is for students, their friends and the families of Good Shepherd School and Church with children in preschool through first grade. We will have a variety of activities including storytellers, opportunities to be authors and illustrators, a quiet reading room and a classroom devoted to Pete the Cat. Parents plan now to come and spend a fun evening with your child.

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: Lexi A.,

Atticus B., Mahela B., Kaleb B., Brooklynn C., Taylor D., Rebe D.

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...

Tyson Labels

Please continue to collect Tyson Project A+ labels. For each 100 Tyson labels submitted before 10/31/15, GSLS will receive 10 free Scholastic books for our library.

Lice Volunteers Needed

Although Good Shepherd students have not experienced problems with lice nearly as often as is becoming more common, we must remain vigilant and deal with situations immediately. Lice are no respecter of cleanliness. To have lice does not mean a child or family is unclean. Parents are **REQUIRED** to immediately report to the school if their child is found to have lice. **THIS IS NOT OPTIONAL.** The school, at minimum, inspects the student, siblings, and all students in classes of affected students. **STUDENTS CANNOT RETURN TO CLASS OR ANY SCHOOL ACTIVITY UNTIL THEY ARE "NIT FREE"** as determined by the school office. By working together, we can keep problems with lice to the bare minimum.

Please consider making yourself available to help inspect children for lice. Each case calls for the school to inspect every classmate, siblings, and classmates of siblings if they are found to have a case of lice. This can put an end to other school office business for the day. Training and gloves provided. Contact the school office (344-3153) if you can make yourself available on an as-needed basis.

School Counseling

Hi! I am Diana Cuddeback the counselor here at Good Shepherd. I am a licensed clinical social worker with experience in family and individual counseling, grief counseling and counseling in schools. I will be at school on Tuesdays. If you think your child might benefit from additional support, you have concerns about your child, or you need assistance with resources in the community, contact me. This year we again have a grant from LESA (Lutheran Elementary School Association) that supports special character programming in your child's classroom.

Look for information in your student's classroom newsletter on the topics we cover and ask your child about the activities!

Medicine Distribution

We will no longer be providing pain reliever or any other medicines to the students. Please send in a package of your preferred pain relief, etc. Please label with your child(ren's) name to be stored in the school office for their use only while at school. All medicines need to be taken to the school office for proper distribution. Please add new medications to your child's medicine file located in the school office. The authorization form for medication distribution is on the front page of our website.

Thank you for partnering with us.

Lunch Bills

All lunch bills we be posted on the 1st week of the month, due on the 25th of the month.

Chapel Offerings

The collections for August through October will benefit Dr. Sue, who is a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and a socio-Linguistics consultant with Wycliffe Bible Translators. She is based in Malaysia, but she travels throughout Asia. We can't put her name on the internet because she sometimes works in countries that are resistant to the Christian faith.

GSLC Home Party Vendor Fair

The Women's Day of Renewal (WDR) is sponsoring a Home Party Vendor Fair in the Fellowship Hall on October 17th. This is an opportunity to shop a variety of home vendors, enjoy flavored coffees, breakfast treats, and the fellowship of other shoppers. Because the vendors generously share their profits for the day with WDR, this event helps to defray expenses and to provide funds for scholarships to WDR. Please contact the church office for more information.

T.R.A.C.K.S.

For your convenience we have extended T.R.A.C.K.S. hours. Before school beginning at 6 a.m. until 7:45 when students are dismissed to the classroom and After school from dismissal at 3:15 until 6 p.m. Students can enter on the lower level through the T.R.A.C.K.S. door.