

Good Shepherd Charger News

"Anchored in Christ"

Hebrews 6:19-20

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Something to Consider:

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. *Philippians 4:7*

It's not hard to be relaxed and peaceful when everything is going smoothly and your problems are all under control. But that's not real peace. Real peace is the inner calm God's Spirit gives you even when the world around

you is chaotic, stress is bearing down on you, and things are going right off the rails at work and at home.

You get that kind of peace by trusting God and keeping your heart focused on Him. In return, His peace will keep you calm and under control—better able to process solutions and deal effectively with circumstances. Don't settle for a fragile peace that



can't handle all that life is handing you. Put your hand in God's hand.

A Look Ahead

Monday, November 16 -Scrip Orders Due By 9:00am -Girls AC Basketball Home vs Dupo 6:30pm

Tuesday, November 17-Boys AC Basketball at
Bethalto 6:30pm

Wednesday, November 18
-Box Tops and Labels Pick-up
Day

Thursday, November 19

-Chapel 8:20am -Girls AC Basketball at Holy Trinity 6:30pm -GSLS Boys A Basketball Tournament Through Sunday

Friday, November 20

-Mid Quarter Point -GSLS Boys A Basketball Tournament Through Sun.

Charger Headlines:

It's that time! Emergency Closing

If school must be closed due to the weather, parents will be notified. In addition, you can listen to your radio or TV for: *Good Shepherd, Collinsville*. Good Shepherd Collinsville's name will be listed.

Please do not call the school or teachers and other workers at their homes.

Listen to radio stations: KMOX (1120), KXOX (630), WIL-FM (92.3), WRYT (1080), and WIBV (1260). TV stations KMOV (4) or KSDK (5). Good Shepherd Collinsville does NOT follow Collinsville Unit 10's plan for the late start or closings. At Good Shepherd, if school is in session it will start at the regular time. Should parents decide to pick

their child up early due to weather, please call the school office in advance.

Gingerbread House

The Gingerbread House is scheduled for Tuesday, December 8th through Thursday, December 10th. This this is a chance for the students to select their own Christmas gifts for family and friends. Gift prices range from \$1 to \$7. Each class will go shopping together during a pre-designated time. Those volunteers who have signed up or still want to help, please contact Mrs. Bold at emily.bold@me.com.

Congratulations

To our GSLS students who were accepted after auditions and participated in the ILMEA District VI all District Festival on Saturday, November 7th at SIU in Carbondale, Illinois.
Jacob B. played Tenor Sax in
the all district band. Colleen L.
and Jenae W. played violin in
the Orchestra, and Claire L. and
Justin W. played cello in the
orchestra.

Thank You

The GSLS Class of 2016 would like to thank you for your generosity during our pie and cheesecake sale. The fundraiser was a huge success. Please remember that pies and cheesecakes will be available for pick up on Friday, November 20th at 3:15pm in the school cafeteria. Thank you for your support!

Piano Recital

Mrs. Jarabak's students will perform at the piano recital on Saturday, November 14th at 10:00am and 11:30am in the church.



Charger Headlines Continues...

Charger Bucks - Scrip

We have four weekly order dates left before Christmas - November 16th, 30th, December 7th and 14th

Plan ahead and order each week for gifts and entertaining. Please 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. If you have any questions please contact the school office 618-344-3153.

Tell your family & friends about this program - anyone may participate!

Congratulations

Congratulations to the A Team for finishing in 6th place this past weekend at the LSA State Tournament! Team members are Hannah S., Anna W., Gabrielle J., Reagan G., Rebekah B., Madeline B., Morgan, J., Macie S., Elise H., and Lauren F.

Thank you and congratulations to the coaches, Mr. Weil & Mr. Jamruk.

Family Reading Night

The first Family Reading Night held on Tuesday, November 10 was a fun evening for more then 80 children and adults. Those in attendance found a beanbag to sit on while listening to stories from our story tellers and many came wearing their pajamas. The activity room offered a chance to make a Groovy Button Cookie and pick up a pair of Pete the Cat ears. We thank the people at Barnes and Noble who sponsored the activity room and the supplies. The ECC

cafeteria was transformed into a camp ground complete with tents and a campfire for quiet reading. The children read their books by "starlight" or flashlights while listening to the sounds of crickets. In the last room children were given an opportunity to become an author and illustrator. They were asked to create a superhero and write a few sentences that told us about their picture. We were pleased with the success of this event and are making plans for the next Family Reading Night. Keep watching the newsletter for future dates.

Digital Citizenship

As we continue on our Digital Citizenship journey, the second of the nine elements is Digital Commerce. This is anything related to the buying of selling of goods online. One might think that this is just what it states. However, there is more to it than that. If you go a little deeper into this, you will find that it is the moral responsibility involved in what is being purchased, who is selling it, and how it is being received. It also includes how to be safe in doing so. Here is a video with some best practices to follow when buying online: http:// goo.gl/wYU1IN

Early Childhood Center

ALL NEW Early Childhood Center Update - All our young children loved playing on our new swing set and climbing structure for the first time this week, and the weather was especially nice the first three days. Thanks again to the team that con-

structed the Fall Zone, and to the supporters and prayer partners who made our entire ECC possible! We still have a few more projects for Volunteers to build for our Outdoor Classroom, such as a sand box, garden box, pergola and trike shed. We've created teams for each project, and Bob Mayhew can tell you about the designs, show you plans, and introduce you to team members. Contact Bob at 344-3153, or at rmayhew@gslcs.org. This past summer, our Director, Mrs. Bedard, presented an informative, 45-minute Bible class about Early Childhood Education. The audio recording is now available online in MP3 format, which you can easily play on your smartphone, mobile device, or computer. This is a great way to learn why Julie and our Teachers tell young children about Jesus, and how the children respond to their lessons. You can also share this recording by forwarding the web page link to relatives, friends and neighbors who are parents of 3-6 year old chil-

dren. Visit www.GoodShepherdCollinsville. org, then navigate to Bible Studies > Bible Study Archives > Various Topical Studies, and look for "2015/08/30 Teaching the Faith to Little Children - ECC Director Julie Bedard." Click the "MP3" audio file to listen to her enlightening presentation, and the "PPT" file to see her slides.

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:

Joshua M., Noelle M., Ryan P., Braydon R., Jonah S., Calista S.

Auction Up-dates

Homeroom Basket Themes

Classroom Baskets for the 2015-16 School Auction on March 12th, 2016 may be brought to the classrooms.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office Thank you for your support!

3 Yr. Old Preschool Arts & Crafts for Kids 4 Yr. Old Preschool We Love Our Pets

Kindergarten Sweet Tooth

1st Grade Boys Will Be Boys & Sugar and Spice

2nd Grade Spending the Day with

Grandpa and Grandma

3rd Grade In the Garden 4th Grade Summer Time Fun 5th Grade Mr. & Mrs. Fix-It 6th Grade Family Fun Night Mr. Rinker's Homeroom

Breakfast in Bed Mr. Voss's Homeroom Home Office Ms. Comb's Homerooms Games & Puzzles

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...

High Honor Roll with Distinction

8th Grade: Scott H., Nick H., Liz S.

7th Grade: Evan B., Christopher H., Sidney P., Hannah R., Molly S., Gabe S., Justin W.

High Honor Roll

8th Grade: Thomas B., Jacob B., Daniel B., Alex C., Lauren F., Reagan G., Elise H., Gabby J., Morgan J., Henry L., Colleen L., Hunter L., Mark M., Will O., Elke S., Hannah S., Macie S.

7th Grade: Sophie B., Noah C., Jared C., Millie C., Kyla E., Olivia G., Faith M., Ryan P., London R., Eli W., Connor Z.

6th Grade: Autumn D., Matthew H., Megan H., Khushi J., Alice K., Eli L., Claire L., Trevor P., MaryAnn R., Anna R., Trinity S., Garrett S., Maggie S., Sydney S., Ella W., Jenae W.

5th Grade: Jacob B., Joseph C., Lillie C., Eli G., Jordan G., Abbey G., Marlaina G., Kinley H., Ashleigh J., Ellie M., Katie M., TJ P., Sam S., Bella S., Sophie T., Gavin T., Jake W., Kanalu W.

Honor Roll

8th Grade: Rebekah B., Cierrah E., Taylor H., Max L., Jeremy O., Brady S., Caleb T., Anna W.

7th Grade: Tyler K., Martin L., Bryan R., Josh Y.

6th Grade: Cameron B., Emma B., Kyle C., Declan G., Carmen S.

5th Grade: Tyler H., Paige H., Domiano L., Jacob M., Blake M., Nick S.

5 Ways You are Ruining Your Child's

Life—Arlene Pellicane This is an article about some different ways to help parent your children. This is only a portion of the article. You can obtain a copy of the full article in the school office.

"You're mean!" "You just don't understand!" Have you ever wondered if you are doing a terrible job as a parent? We've probably all thought that at one time or another. Parenting is a tough job; often times more art than science. Yet the unpopular parenting decisions you make are most likely contributing to your child's health, not their detriment. But there are five parenting traps that may well-intentioned modern parents fall into without even knowing it.

- Amusement as the highest priority. We don't want our children to be bored or to scream in public places.
- 2. Everyone's a winner. A few year's ago when my son was at a basketball camp, their team matched with a much better team. After about five minutes, they turned the scoreboard off so it wouldn't read 98:0 (or something like that!). We have done our kids a disservice by giving everyone a "participation trophy." Life doesn't work like that.
- 3. Feelings trump everything else. The main question these days is "How do you feel about that?" We've downplayed the power of the will to do the right thing

even when your child doesn't feel like it.

- The Bible and prayer are largely absent from everyday life. Does your child observe you reading your Bible or praying during the day.
- Your marriage takes a backseat. Focus on your children first and your marriage second.

Toys for Tots

GSLS are collecting new, unwrapped toys for the Marine Corps Reserves to distribute to economically disadvantaged children in our local area. A designated box will be in the school lobby from Nov. 9th— Dec. 4th. Thank you for the contributions you are able to make!

ECC Playground Workday

Saturday, November 7th at 7:30 am bring your shovels, wheelbarrows and garden rakes to spread pea gravel and mulch to help complete the fall zone so the children can use the playground.

Gingerbread House

We are requesting donations of scotch tape, <u>tissue</u> paper and small bows. NO Santa tissue paper please. You may take the donations to the school office.

Box Tops and Labels

The next turn in date for the Box Tops and Labels is Wed., Nov. 18th. Please send the trimmed box tops and labels to your child's homeroom.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Jacob B., Claire L., Colleen L., Janea W., and Justin W. They did a fantas-

tic job in the orchestra, choir, and band at the ILMEA All District festival.

Give Warmth

Please consider donating new or gently used warm clothing items (coats, hats, gloves, etc.) for men, women & children of all ages. Collection will take place until November 23rd in the boxes labeled "Give Warmth" in the church and school. The items will be distributed to families in need at Kreitner Elementary School.

Theater Performance

GSLS students, Millie C. and Ella W., and other dancers of all ages will be performing in the time honored classic, The Nutcracker ballet on December 4 & 5 at 7 pm, December 12 at 2 pm & 7 pm & December 13 at 2 pm. Performances will be at Dunham Hall Theatre at SIUE. Tickets and information are available at web.tututix.com/turningpointeacademy or by calling 855-222-2849.

Lunch Bills

Please be aware that the lunch bills are posted to your account the first week of each month and may be on an invoice separate from your tuition invoice. Please log into your TADS account or call 1-800-477-8237 if you have any questions. Your prompt payment of these invoices is appreciated.

Young Authors

Authors pick up your pencil and begin your masterpiece. This is a great opportunity for students to learn and show their writing skills and a way to express themselves through this art. Guideline fliers are available in the school office. Begin to brainstorm your thoughts!

Culvers Night

Join the Lutheran For Life Team on Thursday, November 12th from 5-8 pm at Culver's in Collinsville. Funds raised will enable the Life Team to purchase a set of fetal models at 7, 8, 9 & 10 weeks from conception and to purchase training materials for our new life team members. For more information or to join our life team email lcookparishnurse@charter.net. Thank you for your support!

EPI Pen Recall

Sanofi US is voluntarily recalling all Auvi-Q (epinephrine injection, USP). The recall involves all Auvi-Q currently on the market and includes both the 0.15 mg and 0.3 mg strengths for hospitals, retailers and consumers. This includes lot number 2299596 through 3037230, which expire March 2016 through December 2016. The products have been found to potentially have inaccurate dosage delivery. https://www.auvi-q.com/ for more information.

ALL NEW Early Childhood Center Up-

date - After weeks of fervently looking out the windows at our new swing set and climbing structure, on Monday the children will actually get to play on them! This past Saturday morning many enthusiastic Volunteers completed the Fall Zone, the ground below the swings and climbing structure. They spread tons of pea-sized gravel, covered it with weed blocking fabric, and then strewed truckloads of mulch deep and wide throughout the Fall Zone. Thank you to everyone for your hard work! We have several more projects underway for the Outdoor Classroom, such as a sand box, garden box, pergola and trike shed. If you'd like to join a team to help construct one, please call Bob Mayhew at 344-3153, or rmayhew@gslcs.org. This past summer, our Director, Julie Bedard, presented a savvy 45-minute forum about Early Childhood Education during Bible class. An audio recording is now available online in MP3 format, which you can easily play on your smartphone, mobile device, or computer. You can also share this recording by forwarding the web page link to prospective parents of 3-6 year old chidren.

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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.

School's Out Club - December Dates

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 at our facility. The next scheduled dates are Monday, 12/21, Tuesday 12/22, Wednesday, 12/23, Monday 12/28, Tuesday, 12/29, Wednesday, 12/30, and Thursday 12/31. 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.