

Good Shepherd **Charger** News

"Heart of Our Hero" John 15:12-13

Something to Consider:

Trust in the Lord with all your You may have a lead on the past heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Proverbs 3:5-6

People say they want to make their own decisions, set their own course. But being a decision maker can be tough. After all, the world is constantly changing.

and the present, but the future is anyone's guess.

Unless ... you happen to know the One who knows the future. No-He isn't the great fortuneteller in the sky, but He will give you the wisdom you need to make good choices. He will show you timeless principles in the Bible and lead you to wise people who can help you put things into proper



perspective. And when you've made the right decision, He'll fill your heart with His peace.

Charger Headlines:

Praise and Thanksgiving

As the holiday season gears up, carefully plan your family time now. Remember when you were a child bursting with anticipation? Focus on the true meaning of the holidays as we approach the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ.

No Newsletter Next Week

There will be no newsletter next week due to Thanksgiving Break. SAVE THE DATE

Good Shepherd Lutheran School will be having its Annual Benefit Auction on Saturday, March 18th here at our school campus. Come and enjoy the evening while supporting "quality Christian education" for students in Preschool -Grade 8.

If you are interested in assisting, please contact the school office or Mrs. Downing.

School Lobby Doors

For the safety of our students, the lobby doors will remain locked

until 3:15pm on school days. As a reminder, please do not let other people into the building. **December Chapel Offering** The Chapel offering for the month of December is Collinsville Area Ministerial (CAMA) Food Pantry in our community. Student Gift Exchange Please read your child's classroom newsletter to see how each class will conduct their student exchange this year.

The school will be emphasizing a service project in hopes that you would consider contributing to Toys for Tots. Any questions, contact your child's teacher. **Toys for Tots**

GSLS is 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 through December 11th.

Thank you for the contributions you are able to make!

Peer Tutoring

Peer Tutoring will not be held next Tuesday, November 22nd (Thanksgiving week.)

Gingerbread House

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

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!

State Young Authors will take place Saturday, May 20, 2017.

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A Look Ahead

Saturday, November 19 -GSLS Boys A Basketball Tournament Sunday, November 20

-Cherub Choir 8:00am -Christ's Kids Choir 10:30am Monday, November 21 -NO SCRIP Due to the Short Week

-Girls A Basketball Home vs Edwardsville 6:30pm

Tuesday, November 22 -Early Childhood-Grade 8

Thanksgiving Parties

-Grade 1 Thanksgiving Feast -Boys AC Basketball Home vs

Unity 6:00pm Wednesday, November 23-25 -NO SCHOOL-Thanksgiving Break Through Sunday Thursday & Fri., Nov. 24 & 25 -Early Childhood Center Closed

Monday, November 28

-All Classes Resume

-Scrip Orders Due by 9:00am

-Boys D Basketball at Belleville 6:30pm

-Girls A Basketball at Belleville 7:30pm

Wednesday, November 30 -Box Tops and Labels Pick-up Day

-Advent Services 4:30 & 7:00pm Thursday, December 1

-Chapel 8:25am

-Boys AC & Girls C Basketball

Home vs Bethalto 5:30pm

Friday, December 2

-Boys A Basketball at Green Park Tournament

-Girls A Basketball at Edwardsville Tournament



Charger Headlines Continues...

Charger Bucks - Scrip

We have three weekly order dates left before Christmas - Nov. 28th, Dec. 5th and 12th. Plan ahead and order each week for gifts and entertaining. Please have your order in the school office by 9:00a.m on the Mondays listed. Walk-up sales will resume on Fridays from 2:45 - 3:30 p.m. and will continue on Sunday mornings between services.

Reminder... Absent From School

If your child will be absent, please call the school office each morning so both the office and the teacher are informed. If your child is sick, he/she needs to stay at home. Remember, your child must be fever free WITH-OUT the use of Tylenol or Motrin for 24 hours before returning to school. Please do not expose other children unnecessarily. A doctor's written excuse is needed to return to school. Always bring a note to the teacher when your child returns to school. Also, please pick up your child's homework in T.R.A.C.K.S. (After School Care) after 3:30 p.m. Picking up your child's work will help him/her keep up with the class.

Administration of Medicine

Administration of medication to students during regular school hours is discouraged unless absolutely necessary for the critical health and well-being of the student. All requests for administration of medication

(prescription and over-the counter) to students must have the completed form: "Parent Authorization / Request for Self-Administration of Medication" which can be found under Medical Form on the front page of our website, gslcs.org.

All medications administered to the student during school hours must be transported to and from school by a parent or another adult acting on the parent's behalf. No medication will be administered unless the authorization / request form is completed and received. The medication must be received in the form and container as provided by the pharmacy filling the prescription, and no medication may be administered from any container other than one properly marked as above. Over-the-counter medications must be brought to school in their original package, with the students name and date clearly marked on it. Any change in the dosage of the medication and/or the directions for use will require a corrected pharmacy label indicating the changes and a signed note from the physician.

Parents will be called each and every time the medicine needs to be administered.

Southern Illinois District-LCMS

Mr. Roger Sprengel, Schools and General Executive, paid a visit to Good Shepherd Lutheran School on November 1st. Mr.

Sprengel interacted with staff and students for the day. The purpose for this year's visit includes the following:

- Sharing thoughts and ideas regarding school ministry
- Celebrate this year's theme: "Heart of Our Hero"
- Dialogue with the school principal and new staff members
- Offer encouragement and support to principal and teachers

Congratulations to teachers, Mrs. Robinson on completion of the LCMS colloquy program and Mrs. Lingafelter, on completing her requirements at the end of the semester. Academic and co-curricular programming remain the major focus as the administration and staff work to provide a quality program of Christian education for the member and non-member families entrusted to their care. As the church continues to build and grow on the solid rock of Jesus Christ, we rest assured knowing that nothing in our society or culture will prevail against His steadfast Word! May the staff, students and families continue to build their foundation on the rock of our salvation-Jesus Christ. Mr. Roger Sprengel

In Our Prayers this Week:

Each week this school year, the faculty will be ber these and others in your prayers. The praying for the school families. Please remem- families of: Nathan B., Maddy G., Declan G.,

Alice K., Garrett S., Maggie S., Sydney S., Carmen S., Logan W.

Auction Up-dates

Shopping After Thanksgiving

When out shopping after Thanksgiving, please keep the Good Shepherd Lutheran School Benefit Auction in mind. Many of those deals would make great auction donations.

Auction Volunteers Needed

GSLS Auction is scheduled on Saturday, March 18th to be held on campus. Volunteers are needed to help make this a great auction. Remember, if you can only do a small amount, that is valuable and needed! Please contact the school office.

Auction Donations

Yes! YOU can get involved by donating an item or service or attending the Good Shepherd Lutheran School Auction. Everyone should be given the opportunity to

contribute to this annual fundraiser. Your individual participation is needed for this event to succeed! Please participate for our students! Homeroom Basket Themes

3 Yr. Old Preschool Arts & Crafts for Kids 4 Yr. Old Preschool We Love Our Pets Kindergarten Lego Boys & Lego Girls

1st Grade In the Garden 2nd Grade Summer Time Fun 3rd Grade Games & Puzzles 4th Grade Let's Go Camping 5th Grade Get Grilling 6th Grade Family Movie Night Ms. Comb's Homerooms Spa Day Mr. Rinker's Homeroom Sports Basket Mr. Voss's Homeroom **Restaurant Basket**

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...

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

Toys and Sports Equipment taking up too much space in your home? Want to donate them to someone who can definitely use them? The students in Good Shepherd's Before and After School Program, nicknamed, "TRACKS", would love some fresh toys and sports equipment. Each day after school, up to 50 kids from first to eighth grade stay on campus and play until parents and caregivers pick them up. The children play both indoors and outdoors. To donate gently-used toys or sports equipment, please drop them off at TRACKS, the school or church office, or in the box in the connecting hallway. Contact David Bohler at 344-3153, X 222, or dbohler@gslcs.org with ques-

tions and help loading/unloading. 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 6th through Thursday, December 8th. 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.

Thank You

The GSLS seventh and eighth grade students 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 the week of November 21st in the school cafeteria. Thank you for your support! Theme Shirt Day

The next Theme T-Shirt Day is on Tuesday, November 15th. Standardized dress bottoms to be worn with the t-shirt.

Congratulations

Congratulations to the A Team for finishing in 5th place this past weekend at the LSA State Tournament! Team members are Makenzie K., Faith M., Sidney P., Molly S., Anna R., London R., Kyla E., Sophia B., Sydney B., Hannah R. Thank you and congratulations to the coach, Mrs. Aczinowicz.

Box Tops and Labels

The next turn in date for the Box Tops and Labels is Wednesday, November 30th. Please send the trimmed box tops and labels to your child's homeroom.

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

Piano Recital

Mrs. Jarabak's students will perform at the piano recital on Saturday, November 12th at 10:00am and 11:30am in the church.

School Auction

We are looking for someone to Co-Chair the School Auction. If you would be interested in helping please contact Mr. Mayhew in the school office. Thank you. **Peer Tutoring**

Peer Tutoring will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the library, from 3:15-4:00pm. Peer Tutoring is for students needing help in a particular subject. School rules apply, and good behavior is expected. Students need to be picked up promptly at 4:00pm, or go down to TRACKS. Please contact Mrs. Petersen if you have any questions.

MELHS Shadow Day

Metro-East Lutheran High School invites you to come and "shadow" for a school day and see what a day is like in the "Life of a Knight." Prospective students are encouraged to shadow one of our current students and spend the day in classrooms, chapel, lunch, and visiting with students, faculty and staff, and become familiar with the daily ministry of Lutheran High. If you are interested in shadowing please contact the school office at 618-656-0043 or office@melhs.org.

Veteran's Day Parade

Please come out and show your support to our veterans by attending the Veterans Day Parade Friday, November 11th at 10:30am. The parade will begin at Woodland Park and go to the American Legion on Vandalia Street in Collinsville.

This is a great way to honor our veterans.