



# Good Shepherd Charger News

“Here I Stand”

1 Corinthians 16:13

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## Something to Consider:

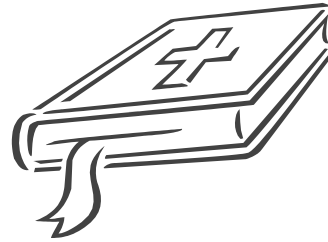
**Guard my words as your most precious possession**

**Proverbs 7:2**

The Bible isn't homework. It's not a textbook you have to study or an assignment you need to complete. It's a love letter from Someone who cherishes His eternal relationship with you.

So, read the Bible like you do a

letter from a close friend. Don't hurry through it. Savor it. See if your Friend has any requests you need to fulfill or advice for you to follow. See if what's said reveals anything new about how your Friend views you, others, or world situations. Then, respond with a love note of your own, written in the words of a heartfelt prayer.



## Charger Headlines:

### Athletics

Parents with students in grades 4-8 who are participating in Cross Country, Volleyball, Basketball and Track MUST sign up to work home games. Please stop by the school office. We are still in need of parents to work home athletic contests and tournaments. Students will not be allowed to participate if you have not signed up for 5 slots. Any questions, please give Mr. Mayhew a call.

### GSLS Trivia Night

Do you know random things? Usually have the answers to questions? Or just want to have a good time and some laughs? Join us for a fun night of trivia on November 11th at the Fireman's Hall in Collinsville, Illinois! Doors open at 6 p.m. and trivia starts at 7 p.m. Teams of

8 welcome to compete for prizes and play games. Please call the school office to reserve your table of 10 for \$200! A great way to help support the ministry of Good Shepherd. What's on the list for topics? A lil bit of advertising trivia, a dash of music trivia and bits of random trivia. Dress in your best 50's gear to win a prize for best costume and be sure to complete the fun by decorating your table with your very favorite 50's theme for another chance at a fun prize!

### Congratulations!

Megan H. and Jenae W. submitted applications to the Broadcom MASTERS national middle school science competition! Receiving a nomination to the Broadcom MASTERS is a great honor—only

10% of science fair projects nationwide are selected for this opportunity. They will receive a t-shirt and bumper sticker, and could be named one of the top 30 MASTERS (announced September 6th) or one of the 30 finalists (announced September 20th). The 30 finalists will gather in Washington, DC for a week of competition—including presentation of their research project and hands-on science and engineering challenges. Top prizes include \$25,000, trips to STEM summer camps, and more. Schools of Broadcom MASTERS finalists each receive \$1,000 from the Broadcom Foundation. Congratulations to Good Shepherd Lutheran School on this achievement!

### A Look Ahead

#### Saturday, September 2

-Girls Pee Wee Basketball 8:00am

#### Monday, September 4

-NO SCHOOL - Labor Day,  
-ECC Closed

#### Tuesday, September 5

-Boys Baseball at Alton 4:15pm

-Girls AC Volleyball at Bethalto  
6:30pm

#### Wednesday, September 6

-Boys Baseball Home vs Belleville  
4:00pm

#### Thursday, September 7

-Chapel 8:25am

-Room Parent Meeting 9:15am

-Cross Country Alton Middle  
School at Gordon Moore Park  
4:15pm

#### Friday, September 8

-Girls A Volleyball at Green Park  
Tournament Through Saturday

-Girls B Volleyball Tournament  
at Edwardsville Through Satur-  
day

-Boys Baseball at Trinity Ed-  
wardsville Tournament Through  
Saturday



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# Charger Headlines Continues...

## LUNCH UPDATE

We are full swing into our new Prepaid Lunch Program. Please remember to deposit funds into your student's Educate Cafeteria Account prior to them ordering lunch or milk. Students with no funds in their account must bring their own lunch and drink. Any questions, contact Cheryl in the school office.

## CAFETERIA POSITION OPENING

We are in the process of hiring one assistant cook to help validate lunches for the school hot lunch program. The time frame is from 11:00 – 1:00. If you have any experience or willing to learn and work well with students, please call Mr. Mayhew at 344-3153 to acquire about this position. A job description is available.

## Parking Lot Reminders

The safety of your child is the most important thing and not can I get out of here in a hurry! We are now finishing our 3rd full week of school and I need to remind all drivers and people walking in the parking lot to.....\*Use the crosswalk and don't just walk across without looking first! \* When walking, please beware of cars backing out, don't just walk behind them they may not see you. \*Drivers use the main drop off "yellow line" as a quick way to drop off otherwise use the J—curve and students can use the crosswalk. These are the only two drop off points. Questions are always welcome. Please, no cell phone usage while in line driving for arrival and dismissal.

## Charger Bucks-Scrip Program

Weekly orders will be processed on Monday, Sept. 18 & 25, Oct. 16 & 30. (have your order in the school office by 9:00a.m.)

Walk-up sales will resume on Fridays from 3:00 - 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.

## Relationships

It's very important that parents stay connected to the classroom teacher on how your child is doing in the classroom. Every student is in a new situation this year no matter if you are a new student or returning. These relationships help all involved so issues don't become just that. It takes us all to help your child. The teachers are calling each parent to see how things are going, please share and partner with them. Thanks!

## 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 and music events, classroom activities, field trips, parties, practices, and things I've forgotten. You can send pictures in through email to [jbatty@gslcs.org](mailto:jbatty@gslcs.org), [kkrause@gslcs.org](mailto:kkrause@gslcs.org),

[lsengele@gslcs.org](mailto:lsengele@gslcs.org), or [epritchard@gslcs.org](mailto:epritchard@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!

## 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 WITHOUT the use of Tylenol or Motrin for 24 hours before returning to school. Please do not expose other children unnecessarily. Also, please pick up your child's work 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. A doctor's written excuse is needed to return to school. Always bring a note to the teacher when your child returns to school.

## 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.

## HARVEST FEST Fundraiser

September 7 from 5-8pm @ Culver's in Collinsville. Grab the family and join us for food and fellowship. Drive through counts also. Thank you!!

## 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 Mr. Voss' home-room: Katherine B., Adam B., Christian B., Troy C., Grace C., Alex H., Emma H.,

Andrew H., Olivia J., Douglas K., Alexander L.

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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.

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# Retreads...

## **Athletic Booster Sign-up**

Parents with students in grades 5-8 who are participating in athletics MUST sign up to work home games. Please contact Mr. Mayhew or stop by the school office. We are still in need of parents to work home athletic contests and tournaments. Students will not be allowed to participate if you have not signed up for 5 slots. Birthday Book Club

It's not too late to join the Birthday Book Club! During your student's birthday month, they will choose a new book from the School Library; a special Birthday Honor certificate is applied to the book and the student has the honor of being the first student to check it out. This is a VERY popular program that helps our Library grow! Please contact Mrs. Schnicker in the school office if you are interested.

## **Classroom Magazines**

If you would like to help your child's homeroom, please consider donating a magazine subscription for the year.

Contact the teacher for more information.

## **GSLs Trivia Night**

Mark your calendars. The GSLs Trivia Night is scheduled for Saturday, November 11th at the Madison County Fireman's Hall in Collinsville. More information will be coming soon.

## **Picture Day**

Picture Day is scheduled for Thursday, September 14th for grades Pre K through 8th grade. Standardized dress will be used as our dress for the day. The purpose of these pictures are for the yearbook.

Preschool will also have a picture day on Wed., Sept. 13th.

Forms will be sent home.

## **BTL Summer Challenge**

Don't forget the Box Top and Label Summer Challenge will be ending soon. Please turn in your trimmed box tops and labels to your child's homeroom teacher by Wednesday, August 31st. The grade that collects the most box tops and labels will win a free dress day in Sep-

tember. Thank you for your support!

## **School Wear Orders**

It is not too late to order GSLs school wear. The order deadline is Friday, September 1st. If placing an order, please return the form to the school office with payment.

## **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!

## **Magazines Sales**

The magazine sale ends Friday, Sept 8th. RENEW your magazines through Good Shepherd Lutheran School! 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.

## **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, Sports Illustrated for Kids.

Please contact the school office.

## **Room Parent Meeting**

Our annual room parent meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 7th at 9:15am 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.

## **Challengers**

Our Challengers program is about ready to start for the 2017-18 school year! Challengers is a fun program that offers learning activities in the areas of science, technology, engineering, art, and math (STEAM). Students will meet twice a month at 7 a.m. in Room 203 (Mrs. Italiano's classroom). A fee of \$25.00 will be assessed to help cover the cost of materials. For more information, please contact Beth Italiano at 344-2153 ext 203. The meeting dates are: September - 8, 29; October - 13, 20; November - 3, 17; December - 1, 15; January - 12, 26; February - 9, 23; March - 9, 23; April - 6, 20

### **ITALIAN FEST 2017**

**Italian Chicken Sandwiches \$6.00**

**SEPTEMBER 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!  
COME OUT AND SUPPORT  
THE 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CLASS TRIP!!  
WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
SERVING YOU  
ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY!**

**PARKING IS AVAILABLE  
BEHIND THE EVERS MEDICAL  
CENTER (\$5.00 donation).**

***Reserve The Date***