



GSL eNews

Monday, October 30, 2023

CALENDAR PREVIEW

Next 4 Weeks

October

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All-School Black & Orange Dress-Down Day

Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Preschool Halloween Costume Parade
9-9:30 a.m., From Preschool to Anchor Center

November

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Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

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All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m., GSL Church

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

5th & 6th Grade First Trimester Musical
Performance, 6-7 p.m., McClure Hall

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Celebration Hosted by Annie Chisholm,
8:05 a.m., GSL Church
(Parents welcome to attend)

7th & 8th Grade Exams: Foreign Language

5

Daylight Savings Time Ends (set clocks back one hour)

6-12

P.A. Novel Fundraiser

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Faculty & Staff Professional Development Day at
TAIS Conference, **No School**
ACE @ Play Available with registration



8th Annual P.A. Trivia Night Registration Now Open!

November 17, 7-9:30 p.m.

Anchor Center Cafeteria

\$500 for Team of 8 People

Ages 21+ Only; No Children Please!

Registration for the 8th Annual P.A. Trivia Night Fundraiser is officially open! [Click here](#) to register! Below are some additional details for this highly anticipated yearly event:

- Dinner is being provided by Randy Jefferson Catering and is included in the registration cost.
- You are welcome to bring your own adult beverages.
- Costumes are back this year! Prizes for best team name, best dressed, and overall trivia team winner!

There are only 8 tables left! This event has sold out in past years, so be sure to register ASAP!

Questions? Contact this year's Trivia Hosts:
[Thaler Beasley](#) or [Mimmie Fisher](#).

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Classes Resume

Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

7th & 8th Grade Exams: Science

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Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

7th & 8th Grade Exams: History

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All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m., GSL Church

7th & 8th Grade Exams: English

Lower School Vision Screenings
8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

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Celebration for Veterans Day, Hosted by Marti McCloud, 8:05 a.m., GSL Church
(Parents welcome to attend)

7th & 8th Grade Exams: Math

End of First Trimester

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Preschool Preview Day for Prospective Parents
9 a.m., Anchor Center

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Last Day to Shop for P.A. Novel Fundraiser

13-December 11

Annual GSL Student Food Drive Led by 5th Grade

13-17

Lost & Found Items Set Out

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Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

JK, 6th, & 8th Grade Vision Screenings, 8:30 a.m.

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Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

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All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m., GSL Church

4th Grade Visits 5th Grade, 8:30-9:45 a.m.

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

4th Grade Parents Look-Ahead to 5th Grade,
6:30-7:30 p.m., Anchor Library

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Celebration Hosted by Sarah Ranson,
8:05 a.m., GSL Church

Middle School Spelling Bee,
8:30 a.m. McClure Hall

8th Annual Parents' Association Trivia Event,
7-9:30 p.m., Anchor Center

REMINDER

About Siblings!



If your younger child is eligible to start
Preschool next August,
it's time to apply!

**DON'T DELAY,
APPLY TODAY!**



Calling Future Little Lukers!

Just a reminder that if you have a child at home who will be 2 by June 1, 2024, now is the time to submit your **application** for admission next August. (We are also accepting applications for siblings entering other grades at GSL!) **Email Director of Enrollment Shelly McGuire** with any questions.



Spirit Wear Pre-Order Sale Ends Friday!

Our sale for pre-order Spirit Wear items ends **this Friday**, November 3! Be sure to **visit our online store** and stock up on the items you need! *Note:* It will take about 2-4 weeks for you to receive pre-order items.

We are excited for everyone to represent GSL in this new Spirit Wear. Go, Saints!

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Central Gardens Association Inaugural Wreath Run, 3-6 p.m. (GSL is a sponsor; see event information below)

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Dress Uniform for Grades 1-8

Grandparents' Day (invitations have been mailed)

Noon Dismissal, ACE After School Care Open from 12-5:30 p.m.

22-24

Thanksgiving Break, No School

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Grace-St. Luke's Episcopal School
ATTN: Advancement Office
246 S. Belvedere Blvd.
Memphis, TN 38104

Questions? **Email** Brenda Berry.
Thank you for doubling your donation to GSL!

QUICK LINKS

- **New! Blackbaud Parent Portal**
- **ACE: After School & Enrichment**
- **Lunch Service**
- **2023-24 Important Dates Calendar**
- **Preschool Handbook**
- **Lower & Middle School Handbook**
- **Uniform & Dress Code Policy**
- **Create a Family Library Account**
- **Refer a Friend to GSL**

Weekly eNews Distribution

To add an email address to the eNews distribution list, please email **Director of Communications Marci Woodmansee**.

Contacting ACE After School Hours

To connect with ACE after school hours, **call the Auxiliary Programs line at 901.677.2245**.



GSL Church Strategic Planning Call for School Input

GSL Church is developing a five-year strategic plan and needs our help by completing a brief survey. Reflecting on past and present ministry since 1940, the Church is preparing for an incredible future that definitely includes our shared campus partnership. Please **click here** to complete this 5-minute, 4-question survey designed to give vital feedback to Father Ollie Rencher, the wardens, and vestry and encourage others to do the same. **The deadline has been extended to Wednesday, November 11!**

Performance Lab 2023 -24: Directing 101

November 14 - January 18

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3-5 p.m.

Performing Arts Room

Calling ALL Actors!

Come help our young directors learn their new craft. Actors will be in a scene directed by one of our three directing students. You don't need any experience, just time and a willingness to participate. There will be a presentation of the work on January 18 at 5:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts room. **The deadline for signing up is this Wednesday, November 1.**

Contact Ms. Reddick if you have any questions.



ACE @ Play: November 6

7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Join us for ACE @ Play on Monday, Nov. 6 when school is closed for a GSL Faculty/Staff Professional Development day. The theme is Popcorn, Puzzles and PJs. Deadline for registration is Thursday, November 2 at 6 p.m. [Click here to register.](#)

And in **ACE: Enrichment** news, the following classes have spaces available. Check them out!

- Around the World in Style SK-1st: [Click here to register.](#)
- Unicorn Dream Catcher 1st-4th: [Click here to register.](#)
- Party in the PJ's SK-3rd: [Click here to register.](#)
- Sugar & Spice: Thanksgiving Edition 1st-6th: [Click here to register.](#)
- Squishmallow-Palooza 2! SK-4th: [Click here to register.](#)
- Picasso's Protege': Food Coloring Wall Art SK-3rd: [Click here to register.](#)

P.A. Book Fair at Novel

Monday, Nov. 6 - Sunday, Nov. 12

Mark your calendars and start making your shopping list for the 3rd annual P.A. Fundraiser that supports GSL and our wonderful local bookstore, Novel! Shop the entire store ([download and bring this flier with you](#)) or shop online using the code GSL23 at checkout, and 20% of your total purchases will be donated to GSL! Also consider stocking up on Novel gift cards, which make wonderful gifts!

And if you happen to come shop in person on Saturday, Nov. 11, you may even see GSL Parent Sarah Hunter Simanson reading a fall-themed story during Novel's Story Time for kids at 10:30 a.m. Remember to bring your flier and present it at checkout!

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books & gifts



Central Gardens 5K Wreath Run

November 19, 3-6 p.m.

The Central Gardens Association is kicking off the holiday season with a run through our wreath-lined streets with its first-ever 5K Wreath Run, 1/4-mile dash Youth Fun Run, and neighborhood after-party on Sunday, November 19. Festivities are open to everyone, including non-runners, and the fun is from 3-6 p.m. For more information and to sign up to participate, [click here](#). GSL School is a sponsor of this event, which will start at the corner of Peabody and Belvedere! Come join the fun in our beautiful neighborhood and support the CGA!

Follow the Saints on Social Media

We ♥ when you like our posts! Every week we post fun moments from life at GSL on social media, and your positive engagement, comments, and reviews help us reach a wider community. This is an important way to promote our school year-round, and especially during the fall admissions season! In the red bar at the bottom of this email, you can click on our social media icons to find us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn.

If you haven't already, please like and follow our feeds, and engage with our posts when you have the time! Our pages are open to all visitors, so even if you don't have your own social media profile, you can still enjoy our photos and updates. Many thanks for helping us share what's great about GSL!



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