

GSL eNews

Monday, October 16, 2023

CALENDAR PREVIEW

Next 4 Weeks

October

16 Tickets on Sale for Fall Musical

17 Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

P.A.-Sponsored Faculty & Staff Appreciation Event

Black/African American Affinity Group Social 5:30 p.m., Anchor Center (See Evite link below!)

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Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

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Dress Uniform Day for Grades 1-8 for St. Luke's Feast Day

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

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

Daily Memphian Developing Memphis Seminar (GSL is a sponsor); 3:30 p.m., Botanic Garden

Opening Night of Fall Musical–Once Upon a Mattress: Youth Edition (an adaptation of The Princess and the Pea), 7:30 p.m., McClure Hall

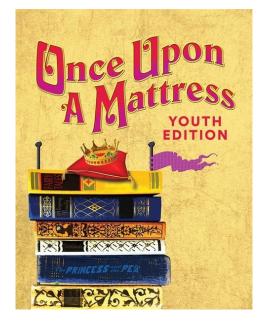
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Celebration Hosted by Lily Thompson, 8:05 a.m., GSL Church (Parents welcome to attend)

Fall Musical, 7:30 p.m., McClure Hall

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Fall Musical, 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., McClure Hall



Fall Musical Opens Thursday General Admission Tickets On Sale Now!

Once Upon A Mattress: Youth Edition is an adaptation of the beloved musical, which is a spin on the classic tale *The Princess and the Pea*. Come support our Middle School actors! Tickets cost \$12 and proceeds benefit GSL. Please arrive early to check in. Cash concessions will be sold before the show and at intermission.

Thursday, 10/19/23, 7:30 p.m, Click here for tickets.

Friday, 10/20/23, 7:30 p.m, Click here for tickets

Saturday, 10/21/23, 10:00 a.m. Click here for tickets.

Saturday, 10/21/23, 7:30 p.m. Click here for tickets.

Questions or concerns may be directed to **gslperformingartsbc@gmail.com**

Flu Shots for Parents/Guardians & Children 7:30-9:30 a.m., Lower School Multipurpose Room

Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

6th & 8th Grade Hearing Screenings, 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

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All-School Dress-Down Day: Wear Your Favorite College Gear!

Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

P.A. Speaker Series: College Night 5:45-7 p.m., Trezevant Hall

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Lower School Wacky Socks Day

Middle School Mad Scientist Dress-Down Day

Preschool Parent Mindfulness Workshop 8 a.m., Anchor Center After School Care Room

All-School Chapel, Featuring Chapel Talks by Lucy Unglesby and Austin Smith, 8:05 a.m., GSL Church

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Celebration: Faculty Halloween Costume Contest Hosted by Kimberley Morrison and Carmen Navarro, 8:05 a.m., Anchor Gym (Parents welcome to attend)

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It's Halloween Storytime at GSL! (For Prospective Preschool Parents) 9-10 a.m., Anchor Center

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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

6-12 P.A. Novel Fundraiser

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Faculty & Staff Professional Development Day,



Save the Date!

Anchor Auction 2024 Friday, April 12, 6:30 p.m. Old Dominick Distillery

More information to come! Interested in sponsoring or donating an item to the auction this year? Contact Auction Chairs <u>Mary Maxwell</u> or <u>Katie McDermott</u> today. GO, SAINTS!!!



New Spirit Wear Merchandise Dropping Online!

New Spirit Wear items are available on the online store for PRE-ORDER starting today through Friday, November 3! *Note:* It will take about 2-4 weeks for you to receive your pre-order items. These items will be available for a limited time, so be sure to <u>visit our online store</u>!

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

No School ACE @ Play Available with registration

7 Classes Resume

Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

7th & 8th Grade Exams

SK, 2nd & 4th Grade Hearing Screenings, 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

8 Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

7th & 8th Grade Exams

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

7th & 8th Grade Exams

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

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

10 7th & 8th Grade Exams

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

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

QUICK LINKS

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



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Contacting ACE After School Hours

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



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

> DON'T DELAY, APPLY TODAY!



Black/African American Affinity Group Social October 17, 5:30 p.m. Anchor Center Library

Parents and students are invited to learn more about the GSL Parents and Students Affinity Group at this social event! If you are interested, please <u>click here to see Evite</u> and join us!

Photo from past Affinity Group Holiday Gathering!

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 <u>application</u> for admission next August. (We are also accepting applications for siblings entering other grades at GSL!) <u>Email Director of</u> <u>Enrollment Shelly McGuire</u> with any questions.

Flu Shots at GSL

Tuesday, October 24, 7:30-9 a.m. Lower School Multipurpose Room (Big room across from GSL's Admin Office)

The Shot Nurse will be here to administer flu shots to students age 4 and above and their parents/guardians.

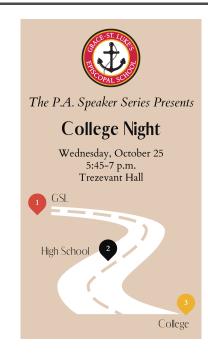
What to bring:

- Copy of your driver's license and Insurance card.
- Attached consent form filled out and signed, with each member of the family listed.

A parent or guardian **must** be present for a student to receive a vaccination.

No need to make an appointment. Just show up and get in line. They are pretty fast!

They will **not** be bringing Covid vaccinations due to storage requirements. If you want to get a flu vaccination and covid vaccination at the same time, you can visit their clinic in person, go to your doctor's office, or visit any pharmacy/clinic that administers both.



Join us for College Night, presented by the **P.A. Speaker Series!**

Wednesday, October 25 5:45-7 p.m. **Trezevant Hall**

Creating confident lifelong learners is essential to our mission at GSL. For many, that includes a wonderful high school experience followed by college. Even though college may be a little ways away, demystifying and learning more about the process early on can be helpful.

Parents/Guardians are invited to College Night on Wednesday, October 25! A panel of high school college counselors from Christian Brothers, Crosstown, ECS, Harding, Hutchison, Lausanne, MUS, St. Mary's, and Westminster will share tips on how to best support your children as they transition from middle school at GSL to high school, and then to college! The panel will also answer your questions and share insight into the college admission process.

This event is for adults only. Please click here to register by Friday, October 20. Questions? Email Brenda Berry.

Preschool Parent Mindfulness Workshop

Thursday, October 26

8 a.m., Anchor Center After School Care Room

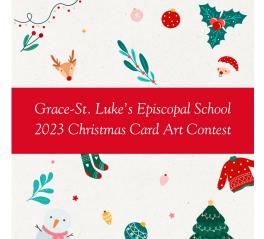
Come and join us after morning drop-off for a morning coffee and a dose of mindfulness. Our Preschool mindfulness teacher Linda Huggins will be here to share her techniques with you. Now you can learn the wonderful calm-down techniques our teachers use with the children, and use them at home. We hope you can join us and bring a little peacefulness to your life!



Request a Packet Today for GSL's 2023 Christmas Card Art Contest!

This year's Christmas Card Art Contest closes in just two weeks! If your child is interested in participating, please request an art contest packet today by emailing Brenda Berry! For details on this year's art contest, click here. All art contest submissions must be received by 3 p.m. on





Friday, October 27.

All art entries will be featured in a special holiday video that will be sent to GSL families via email and shared on the school's social media pages in December 2023. To see the art submissions from previous years, watch the 2021 video <u>here</u>, and the 2022 video <u>here</u>.

Good luck to all of our student artists!

ACE @ Play: November 6

7:30-5:30 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 6:00 pm. <u>Click here to register</u>.

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

- World Wanderers PK-JK: <u>Click here to</u> <u>register.</u>
- Around the World in Style: <u>Click here to</u> register.
- American Girl Doll Halloween Party SK-4th: Click here to register.
- Escape GSL Super Mario Kart SK-4th: Click here to register.
- Trick or Treat: Glow in the Dark Edition 1st-4th: Click here to register.



It's a "Wrap!" Thank You for Supporting Our Fall Fundraiser!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Charleston Wrap fundraiser! Through sales and donations we raised over \$21,000 in profits to put toward teachers' wish lists for their classrooms.

An Important Note: While the deadline for students to win prizes has passed, you may continue to support this fundraiser online until the end of December by using your participant link!

Congratulations to our Top Selling Grades in each division:

Preschool: Victoria Blackwell & Jamesha Horton's PK Playful Peacocks Class **Lower School:** Reem Rassoul & Jenna Bencini's SK Savvy Seahorses Class **Middle School:** Kimberley Morrison's 6th Grade Advisory

We are also excited to announce our TOP 10 Individual Sellers:

- 1. Paul Blankenship
- 2. Rosa Hendry
- 3. Nell Hendry
- 4. Grayson Logan
- 5. Magnolia Williams
- 6. Jude Wells
- 7. Mays Meeks
- 8. Lily Woodmansee
- 9. Haddie Hallum
- 10. Haskell Lowery

Congratulations to these Saints, and thank you for your support!



CLICK HERE TO GIVE TO GSL!

