



GSL eNews

Monday, May 15, 2023

CALENDAR PREVIEW

Next 4 Weeks

May

15-19

Third Trimester Middle School Art Show

Lost and Found Items on Display

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All-School Dress-Down Day

(Favorite character from books, TV, video games, or movies)

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Last Middle School Chapel

8:05 a.m., GSL Church

7th/8th Grade Exam: Spanish/Latin

Lower School Game Day, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Opening Reception for Third Trimester Middle School Art Show, 5-6:30 p.m., Anchor Center

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Last Lower School Chapel

8:05 a.m., GSL Church

7th/8th Grade Exam: History

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Last All-School Chapel

8:05 a.m., GSL Church

7th/8th Grade Exam: Science

Last Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

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Dress Uniform Day for Grades 1-3 & 5-8
(Special Attire for Grade 4)



All-School Dress-Down Day **Monday, May 15**

Every year at the Anchor Auction, one popular item up for bid is our "Rule the School." This year the Smith family made the winning bid! Eighth Grader Jake Turner served as Head of School for the Day on Friday and granted students a dress-down day today, Monday, May 15. Students may dress as their favorite character from a book, TV show, video game, or movie!

As always, please follow dress-down day guidelines as outlined below:

On dress-down days, students may wear shorts or nice blue jeans. T-shirts must be free of objectionable words or images, and must not be a typical undershirt. Choice of clothing should not be too revealing or tight. All skirts, shorts, and skirts should be no more than 4 inches above the knee. Footwear for students should be safe. Pajama pants and other sleepwear are not permitted.

7th/8th Grade Exam: English

Honors Chapel, 1:45 p.m.-3 p.m.,
GSL Church; Reception immediately following
ceremony, Trezevant Hall

22-23

All-School Dress-Down Days

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7th/8th Grade Exam: Math

3rd Grade Poetry Reading
11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., McClure Hall

8th Grade Memory Walk & Clap Out
10:45 a.m.

8th Grade Alumni Luncheon
11-12:30 p.m., Trezevant Hall

23

Last Day of School for LL, PK, JK, and SK

Middle School Art Portfolios Go Home

Middle School Field Day, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

24

Best Dress Attire for Grades 1-7
(Special attire for Grade 8)

Last Day of School for Grades 1-8, Noon
Dismissal (ACE open until 5:30 p.m.)

8th Grade Graduation
10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m., GSL Church
Reception immediately following ceremony,
Trezevant Hall

End of Third Trimester

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Memorial Day Holiday, Office Closed

30-June 2

Bridge Week
Available for registered students

30-July 31

GSL Summer Office Hours: 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

June 5-August 4

SummerFest 2023 at GSL



Middle School Spring Trimester Art Show

May 15-19: Art On Display

**May 16: Opening Reception, 5-6:30 p.m.,
Anchor Center Alumni Lobby**

Support our Spring Trimester Middle School arts
block students and see the show! Refreshments
will be provided at the opening night reception.
Friends and family are welcome to attend!



Honors Chapel

Friday, May 19, 1:45 p.m., GSL Church

At Honors Chapel, we celebrate various things at
GSL, including fourth grade's upcoming
advancement to Middle School and faculty/staff
service awards. This annual ceremony, which also
serves as a symbolic passing of the torch from the
eighth grade class to seventh graders, also
recognizes the recipients of a few special Middle
School awards.

**Honors Chapel is a dress uniform day for
Grades 1-3 and 5-8, with special dress attire for
our fourth graders.** All fourth grade families and
other honorees are invited to a reception in
Trezevant Hall following the ceremony.

**CLASS OF 2023
8TH GRADE GRADUATION**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24
10:30 a.m.
GSL CHURCH



QUICK LINKS

- [Create a Family Library Account](#)
- [Refer a Friend to GSL](#)
- [ACE: After School & Enrichment](#)
- [Lunch Service](#)
- [2022-23 Important Dates Calendar](#)
- [2023-24 Important Dates Calendar](#)
- [Preschool Handbook](#)
- [Lower & Middle School Handbook](#)

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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**.



Front Office Closed During Honors Chapel & Graduation

The front office will be closed during Honors Chapel and Graduation to allow all administrative staff to attend the special ceremonies.

Honors Chapel is Friday, May 19, at 1:45 p.m. The front office will be closed on May 19 from 1:30-3 p.m.

Graduation is Wednesday, May 24 at 10:30 a.m. The front office will be closed on May 24 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Please note: If your child needs early dismissal on either day, be sure and schedule your pickup for a time when the front office is open.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Calling for P.A. Room Parent Volunteers for 2023-2024 School Year

The Parents' Association had another great year supporting the GSL community with fantastic events and raising significant funds to fulfill our Teacher Wish List items!

The P.A.'s Division Vice-Presidents will be working over the summer to fill Room Parent positions for each classroom for the upcoming year. If you are interested in volunteering to do this for your child's grade, please reach out to the appropriate person listed below.

Middle School VP (Grades 5-8): **Julie Markham**
Lower School VP (Grades SK-4): **Hannah Phillips**
Preschool VP (Grades LL-JK): **Ashley Park**

Thank you for all you do to support GSL!

Want to get
involved in
2023-24?



Be a P.A. room
parent volunteer
for GSL!

Not Accepting Used Uniforms and Textbooks



**We thank you for not leaving
these items on our
Administrative Office Porch!**

Information Regarding Used Uniforms & Textbooks

Please do not drop off miscellaneous used textbooks or uniforms at the Administrative Office or on the front porch, as we are **no longer accepting these items** for redistribution.

Uniform Swap: You can list used uniforms on the parent-created **GSL Saints Swap** private group on Facebook. (You can search the title "GSL Saints Swap" on Facebook and ask to join if you are not already a member.) You can also donate your items to Goodwill; they ship all school-logo items overseas.

Textbooks Needed in Middle School:

We would love for families to return the following books to Middle School for use again next year:

- 8th grade Structure & Methods Algebra
- 8th grade History book
- 6th grade Math book
- 5th-8th grade Warriner's Handbook (English grammar hardback)

These can be dropped off outside Mrs. Hendry's office or in the Admin Office. Thank you!

ACE @ Play: Bridge Week **May 30-June 2 (closed May 29 for Memorial Day); 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.; \$50/day**

Please join us for a fun-filled day or week with ACE! Parents may drop off between 7:30-8:30 a.m. at the preschool awning for LL-PK-JK and at the Circle Drive for SK-8th grades. ACE closes at 5:30 p.m. Please pack two snacks and a lunch.

Click here to register by May 26 to avoid a \$10 late registration fee. *Registration closes on May 28 at midnight. Unfortunately, no registrations are possible within three days prior to the start of an ACE @ Play session.*



Featured New Enrichment: **Card Collector, Bey Blade, Toy Palooza!**

Calling all card collector, bey blades, spinning tops, fun toys, doll enthusiasts! Play the afternoon away. Have fun visiting with your friends in the play zone. Don't just "be" the fun, "bring" the fun!

Dates: Friday, May 19, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Ages: SK - 3rd

Cost: \$15

Registration will end on 5/16/2023.

Click here to register.



Please Return Library Books!

It's time to round up any GSL Library books at home. Thanks for helping your students/children return all library books **by Friday, May 19!**

For families with books checked out on your Family Library Account, thanks for returning those this week as well. - Mr. Willis, Director of Library Services

SummerFest 2023

June 5-August 4

**For ages 4-13 (regardless of school
affiliation) and GSL-enrolled rising PK**

students

This year's SummerFest offers something for everyone, and we hope your child will join us! (And please, tell your friends!)

[Click here to register today.](#)



Honor Your Saint with an Alumni Corner Plaque!

If you are interested in purchasing a plaque for the GSL Alumni Corner, please place an order by Wednesday, May 31. The Alumni Corner is located in front of the Anchor Center at the corner of Linden and Lemaster. The plaques, which are designed to honor or memorialize alumni, students, entire classes, and others with a personal connection to GSL, are \$150.

[Click here](#) to order today!

Questions? **[Email Advancement Associate Kate Shelton.](#)**

Fine Arts Update: Announcing Fall 2023 Musical at GSL

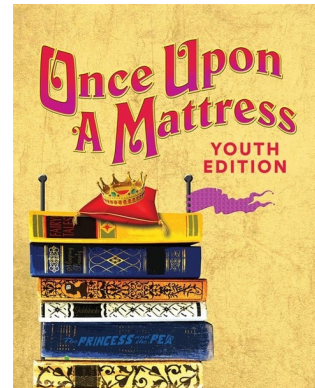
This fall our Middle School Fine Arts Department will stage *Once Upon A Mattress*, a comical retelling of Hans Christian Andersen's *The Princess and the Pea*.

Middle School students are invited to audition when school starts back (see dates below). Fourth graders are also invited to participate but will not need to audition. Parents may contact Middle School Performing Arts Teacher **[Leslie Reddick](#)** if their child wants to participate.

Middle School Auditions, Performing Arts Rm.

Mon., Aug. 21, 3:00-4:30 p.m.

Tues., Aug 22, 3:00-4:30 p.m.



Please click here to review the **[Tentative Rehearsal Schedule](#)** for this production.

Performance Dates: October 19-21

ALL-SCHOOL DRESS-DOWN DAYS

MAY 22-23



Go Saints!

News from the Church



GSL Church Fall Soccer & Flag Football

For JK-4th Grades

Registration is open until June 1 and can be accessed [online here](#). Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis and teams will fill up quickly, so remember to register promptly to reserve your child's spot. Questions? Email [Christi Authement](#).

CLICK HERE TO GIVE TO GSL!

