



GSL eNews

Tuesday, September 6, 2022

CALENDAR PREVIEW

Next 4 Weeks

September

6-23

P.A. Fall Wrapping Paper Fundraiser

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Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

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School Picture Day, Grades SK-8

Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

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School Picture Day for Preschool (LL-JK)

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

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8th Grade Parents Look-Ahead to High School
8 a.m., Anchor Library

Celebration, Hosted by Julie Binder
8:05 a.m., GSL Church

Middle School Leadership Retreats
8:30 a.m.

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Central Gardens Home Tour
1-6 pm, Belvedere Blvd. Locations

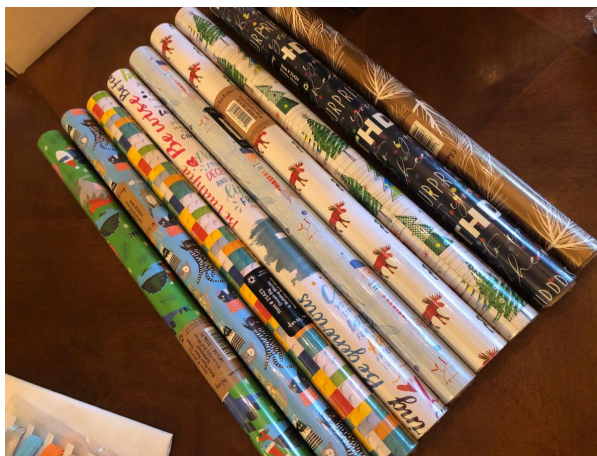
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Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Preschool Speech & Language Screenings
9 a.m. to noon, Preschool Tinker Lab & Tutor
Room

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Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.



Charleston Wrap Fundraiser Is Now Live!

Use the code 11033 and [click here](#) to register your child online and receive your child's unique student code.

Please place your orders online by September 23, and don't forget to share your link with friends and family! The more we sell, the more money comes back to our school!

Remember, all proceeds go toward our \$20,000 goal, which will buy new classroom equipment and materials on teacher wishlists. If you don't want or need wrapping paper or gifts, but would still like to participate, you are always welcome to make a donation by writing a check made payable to the GSL Parents' Association.

Have questions? Email [Hannah Phillips](#) or [Christina Gordon](#).

Preschool Speech & Language Screenings
9 a.m. to noon, Preschool Tinker Lab & Tutor
Room

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All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.
Chapel Talks by Margaret Fore and J.W. Curry

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

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Celebration, Hosted by Lee Schaffler
8:05 a.m., GSL Church

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Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

All-School Picnic and Spirit Wear Sale
6 p.m., Snowden Field (2233 Harbert Ave.; rain
date September 27)

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Fall Spirit Week Celebrations for Homecoming

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Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Middle School Dress-Down Day

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All-School Red & White Dress-Down Day for
Homecoming

All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.
Chapel Talks by Martha Mitchell and
Reed Hoffman

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

Homecoming Pep Rally
Class of 2022 Yearbook Signing
2:15 p.m., Anchor Gym
See graphic below for games times

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Fall Wrapping Paper Fundraiser Ends

Middle School Dress-Down Day

Celebration, Hosted by Juan Roncal
8:05 a.m., GSL Church

26-30

Lost & Found Items on Display

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Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Rain Date, All-School Picnic

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Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

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All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.
Chapel Talks by Katie Young, Andrew Strickland,
and Jamel LeFlore

Lower School Hearing Screenings
8:30 a.m. - noon and 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.



***Reminder: It's Time to Submit
Your Sibling Applications!***

Just a reminder that admissions season has started for the 2023-24 school year. Click [here](#) to submit a sibling application. (Siblings are offered a place in January before new family admission notifications go out in February.)

Questions? Contact Director of Enrollment [Shelly McGuire](#).



***Open a Family Account
at the Library***

Did you know all enrolled families are welcome to open accounts at our awesome GSL Library? And while supplies last, all new families who open an account will also get a free book bag! We would love for you to visit us!

ACE @ Play open to registered participants

[Click here](#) to open your account today, or email [Jan Willis](#) or [Laura Lemly Willis](#) for more information.



QUICK LINKS

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

Weekly eNews Distribution

To add an email address to the eNews distribution list, please email [Associate Director of Communications Marci Woodmansee](#).

Contacting ACE After School Hours

To connect with ACE after school hours, call the Auxiliary Programs line at 901.278.2685.



Celebrating GSL's 75th Anniversary

On Saturday, August 20, hundreds of people came together on campus to celebrate our school's milestone 75th Anniversary! Here are just a few things folks have shared with us about the celebration:

- "I came to see all the teachers and my friends. I love that all of my favorite teachers showed up and EVERY SINGLE ONE REMEMBERED ME. That means something."
- "What other elementary school in Memphis can throw down like GSL and get 600+ people to show up? Not a single one. GSL rocks!"
- "The thing I heard most often at the event was 'GSL is my home, and will always be my home.' This is proof that there is no place like GSL."

You can view some of the photos from the 75th Anniversary Celebration in this [album on GSL's Facebook page](#). Check back often, as more photos will be added soon!

A special thank you to our honorary Event Chair and Former GSL Faculty Nick Scully! As he said during his presentation at the event, everyone is encouraged to support GSL with a donation to our great school! You can show your gratitude for Grace-St. Luke's with a gift to the Celebrating 75 Years Annual Fund. [Make a gift or pledge online here](#). Gifts of all sizes are greatly appreciated.

Want to give but need some inspiration? Here are some suggestions:

Give...

...\$75, \$750, or \$7,500 in honor of GSL's 75 Years

...in honor of your GSL graduation year, for example \$2,013 or \$20.13

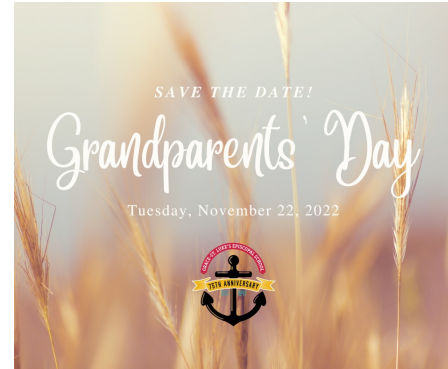
...in honor of your favorite GSL memory, teacher, friend, or experience

...to ensure GSL's life-changing work continues for another 75 years

To everyone who attended—alumni, current and alumni parents, current and former faculty & staff, current families and friends—thank you for making GSL such a special school. Our community remains connected and strong after 75 years because of you.

Grandparents' Day: Tuesday, November 22, 2022

We are excited to announce the return of this special event at GSL! Please ask your children's grandparents and special "grandfriends" to mark their calendars for Grandparents' Day at GSL, which will take place the Tuesday before Thanksgiving, November 22. More details will be shared in the coming weeks.



Parking & Driving Reminders

Just a friendly reminder to families: Let's be mindful of our neighbors who live on Peabody, Linden, Lemaster, and Belvedere by driving and parking carefully! Please remember:

- **On Belvedere, please pull up into the driveway next to the office** when dropping off. Do not drop off from the street or stop in front of neighbors' driveways.
- **Drive slowly on the streets around campus**, especially when entering/exiting carpool lanes and passing parked cars.
- **Do not block our neighbors' driveways**, and leave ample space when parking near their driveways.
- **Do not block our neighbors' garbage cans when parking** as this can prevent trash pickup.

THANK YOU for helping us be a good neighbor and great centerpiece of Central Gardens!

Join GSL's Athletic Booster Club!

Open to all parents, grandparents, and friends of GSL, the Athletic Booster Club was created to support and enhance the Middle School Athletics program. By purchasing an annual Booster Club membership, you can help provide quality enhancements and benefits to our Middle School Athletic program, such as uniforms, concession stand/locker room renovations, and other improvements. Membership also means your immediate family gets **FREE ADMISSION** to all the regular season 5th-8th grade home games at GSL. (This is a great way to save on basketball home game admission fees!) Grandparent memberships are also available. **[Click here to sign up!](#)**



In other news, we are bringing the booster sponsorship banners back at Snowden Field! A new banner is \$250 and renewing a banner is \$150. It's a great way to advertise your business to fans for all our home games! **[Click here for the form](#)** or visit the **[Booster Club webpage](#)** for more info.

Join our Performing Arts Booster Club!

[Click here today](#) to purchase a family membership to the Performing Arts Booster Club (PABC), at the discounted rate of \$75 if you join by September 30. After that date, regular memberships are \$100. Grandparent memberships are always \$50. Anyone can join, so feel free to forward the link to grandparents and friends!

Booster Club fees help pay for tiered seating in McClure Hall for performances and improvements to sound and lighting. Members get access to the exclusive PABC ticket pre-sale and priority seating to the theater on show nights.



While supplies last, new and renewing members will also receive a complimentary stainless steel thermal mug featuring the GSL theater program logo (pictured here, designed by parent Natalie Davis).

And remember to save the date for performances of Disney's *The Jungle Book Kids* this fall!

Thursday, October 20, 7:30 p.m., McClure Hall

Friday, October 21, 7:30 p.m., McClure Hall

Saturday, October 22, 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., McClure Hall

Updates from ACE: After School Care & Enrichment

ACE @ Play Parent-Teacher Conference Day

For LL-8th Grade

Friday, September 30, 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Games, games, games! Enjoy puzzles, board games, and other engaging activities during this fun-filled day.

Please remember to send a snack and lunch if your child will stay all day. Cost is \$50, and registration will end on 9/26/2022.

[Click here to register today!](#)



AFTER SCHOOL CARE
& ENRICHMENT @ GSL

Piano Lessons

It's not too late to sign-up for 2nd-8th Grade Piano Lessons with Ms. Patricia Gray **[Email her](#)** or call 901-493-0958. In-persons lessons available only.

News from Grace-St. Luke's Church

GSL Church Sports

JK-4th Grade Boys & Girls



Register Now for Basketball!

GSL Church Basketball Registration

For JK-4th Grade Boys and Girls

Online Basketball Registration is open from now until Sept. 30. Please know that registration fills up quickly and is on a first-come, first-served basis. **[Click here](#)** to register your child today!

CLICK HERE TO GIVE TO GSL TODAY!

