September 14, 2022

Crusader Chronicles

Good Shepherd Catholic School

Basil is a herb that is grown throughout the world- a common, everyday spice. It provides flavor and adds dimension to many of the foods that we eat; however, it does not really have a smell until crushed. When St. Helena found the true cross of our Lord, it is said, that basil was growing out of it. Today is the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross and we remember that through the cross, Jesus crushed death for our salvation. He did not come for just the rich or powerful; He came for all of humanity! Let us remember the value of human life and how much God truly loves us as we go through our next week!



Diocesean Financial Aid

This year the diocesean financial aid program has moved up the start and end dates for applications. If you plan to apply for financial aid through the diocese, please use the following link. online.factsmgt.com/aid. The application is open and the the deadline is January 31, 2023. Don't wait to apply!

Crusader Spiritwear

We have a new vendor for spirit wear this year - please check out all the items they have to offer. GSCS gets back 10% on any sales. The GSCS store will stay open throughout the year so you can order your Crusader gear at any time. They are currently running a Back to School sale with savings of 30% off. Visit the store at https://1stplace.sale/43217 Please note the vendor is offering additional personalized items for sale that do not qualify as GSCS spirit wear on our Spirit Wear Tag Days.



Golf Tournament

Our Golf Tournament will be THIS **Saturday, September 17th**. You can register for the tournament by going to goodshepherdschool.net/golf or clicking the link Golf Tournament registration

Grandparents' Day

Grandparents' Day will be on **Friday, September 23rd from 10:00 - 11:30**. We welcome grandparents and special guests to join us for festivities and fun. To ensure we have enough snacks, please complete the RSVP form by Wednesday,September 21st. Grandparents' Day RSVP

Don't Like Golf

If you can't make the Golf Tournament, you can still support us! We still need volunteers! Sign up to volunteer. Golf Tournament Sign Up Genius

Lego Club

CALLING ALL YOUNG BUILDERS! Good Shepherd Catholic School is looking for members for their FIRST Lego League Explore teams, the League of Creative Crusaders. The FIRST Lego League Explore Division introduces science concepts and teamwork to children in grades 1-4. If your child loves LEGOS, science, building, and discovering, then please consider having he or she become a member of the League of Creative Crusaders for our seventh year! We have two spots left for this year's teams, and we also are looking for a parent volunteer to help this year. If your child is interested, please email Joy Cox at joyginter@gmail.com with your child's name, age, and grade.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN ROBOTICS? Good Shepherd Catholic School will be participating for its 5th year in FIRST Lego League Challenge Division. The FIRST Lego League fosters imaginative thinking and teamwork. A team of students in grades 5-8 research a real-world problem and are challenged to develop a solution. Their solution must include a robot built and programmed by themselves. https://www.firstinspires.org/robotics/fll/what-is-first-lego-league We can have up to 8 students for our team, and we are also looking for a parent volunteer to help this year. If your child is interested, please email Joy Cox at joyginter@gmail.com with your child's name, age, and grade.

Student Book Club

Book club starts **September 26 2:30-3:30** (Mondays) and will continue every week. Book club is led and assisted by fifth grade students. We have two parent supervisors, Mrs. Hyde and Mrs. Geppi. If there are parents that would like to help, please sign up through this form.

Parents willing to help

Student Sign up

Book Club Website.com







Drama Forms

The theater! The theater! What will happen in the theater? We need student interest in order to put on the Dinner Theater and Spring Musical. Drama Club forms are due by this Friday, **September 16th.**

NJHS Service Project

This NJHS is collecting cardboard flat boxes, towels, and sheets for the local animal shelter. Please send donations in by **September 20th**.

Cheerleading

GSCS! Let's Go, Crusaders! Cheerleading practices will begin on **Wednesday, September 21st from 2:30-3:30**. If your child is interested in being a Crusader Cheerleader follow the link to sign up.

Cheerleading Sign Up

Water and Soda Donations Needed!

We are in need of soda and water donations for fundraisers throughout the school year. Please send your donations to the office. Any help is greatly appreciated!





Picture Day!

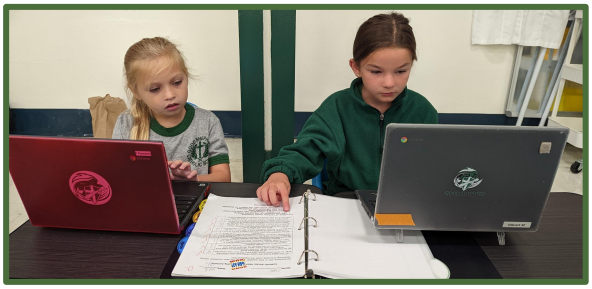
Picture day is **Tuesday, September 20th**. These pictures are out of uniform and used for yearbook. Order forms are coming home today.



Volunteering at School

If you plan to volunteer at school, you must have a background check and watch the For Sake of God's Children videos. To access the videos, go to the following site and watch the videos. After watching the videos, please complete the receipt. We will have a record of those who completed the videos in the office.

[For the Sake of God's Children video link]





Family Communication Survey

Your extended family can be part of our family too! We are gathering names of extended family members that may want to know about the happenings at GSCS. Please complete the attached form to share their information with us. [Family Communication Survey]

Upcoming Dates & Events

- Golf Tournament- Sept. 17th
- Picture Day- Sept. 20th
- Grandparents Day (Noon Dismissal)- Sept. 23rd
- Renaissance Testing begins -Sept. 26th
- Blessing of the Animals - Oct. 4th
- Socks for Solemnities - Oct. 4th
- Fall Break (No School)- Oct. 10th
- Family Movie Night - Oct. 14th
- Game Day Crab Feast - Oct. 16th

A Moment to Chuckle:

Q: Why did the golfer carry two shirts?
A: In case he got a hole in one.

Good Shepherd Catholic School develops successful students with the support of the entire community. Our students reach their maximum academic and personal potential in a safe and nurturing environment, leading them to be people of faith, socialization, and character through study and service.