



# GSL eNews

Sunday, January 12, 2025

Want to stay up-to-date on all that is happening at GSL? Click on the button below to view the All-School, Athletics, & Important Dates Calendars!

GSL School Calendar

## January 8th Grade Chapel Talks Schedule (Thursdays at 8:05 a.m., Church)

January 16: Georgie and Zoe P.

January 23: Conor and Callie

January 30: Ronan and Chandler

## January Celebration Schedule (Fridays at 8:05 a.m.)

January 17: Opera Memphis Guests Hosted by Nancy Miller, Church

January 24: Hotshot Red vs. White Challenge Hosted by Allyson Campbell, Gym  
*Parents/Guardians are always welcome to attend!*

January 31: No Celebration or School - Parent-Teacher Conference Day!

## ALL-SCHOOL RED & WHITE DRESS-DOWN!

SAINTS HOMECOMING &  
8TH GRADE FAMILY  
PRESENTATIONS!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

GO, SAINTS!

### ***Basketball Homecoming and Red & White Dress-Down Day!*** Thursday, January 16

This Thursday night we'll celebrate Basketball Homecoming and our last Fan 5 Game Night - with a Homecoming Howl Towel giveaway while supplies last! We will also hold our Eighth Grade Family Presentations. We are excited to continue this GSL Homecoming tradition of introducing eighth grade students and their parents/guardians at mid-court in front of the fan audience. We will also award one boy and one girl from this class with the Winter Spirit Award (as voted upon by their peers).



### ***Performance Lab 2025 World Premiere: January 14*** ***Never Judge a Swan By Its Color*** **By 5th graders Ali and Alison** **5:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Room** **Free and open to the public**

Please enter from the Middle School hallway in Morton (lower level, near Ellen Hendry's office). The play is about 20 minutes long. There will be a Talk Back and reception after the performance. Cast members are: Mila D., Semmes, Olivia B., Daniela, Rowan, and Elizabeth S. Directed by Leslie Reddick.

Activities will be in the Anchor Center as follows:

- 2:15 p.m.: SK-8th Grade Pep Rally
- 4 p.m.: 7/8 Boys Sighting vs. Westminster
- 5 p.m.: 7/8 Girls Slatery vs. St. Louis
- 6 p.m.: Presentation of 8th Grade Families:  
Parents, please arrive by 5:45 p.m. to line up in the Anchor Cafeteria.
- 6:30 p.m.: 7/8 Boys Taylor vs. Lausanne

We look forward to seeing you all at GSL's 2025 Basketball Homecoming. GO, SAINTS!

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### ***ACE: Enrichment News! Spring Registration Now Open***

Registration is open for ACE: Enrichment classes this semester. [Click here](#) to sign up now for Enrichment classes, After School Care, and ACE @ Play dates on UltraCamp. A full brochure will be posted online this week.



### ***Carpool Reminders: Peabody/Lemaster***

Our security team has recently seen cars in the Lower School carpool line blocking the Peabody/Lemaster intersection during both morning and afternoon carpool times. This causes delays in the Middle School carpool and could result in a traffic citation. Please remember to leave the intersection (and all neighborhood driveways) open when in the carpool line and when parking around our campus. Thanks for your help in ensuring that our carpools run smoothly.

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### ***Re-Enrollment Agreements Going Out January 17***

We are planning now for an exciting 2025-26 school year, so please be on the lookout Friday for your digital re-enrollment agreements. These documents must be signed and submitted by February 1. Any agreements received after February 1 will incur a \$250 late fee.

If you do not receive your re-enrollment agreement this Friday, please email Director of Enrollment **Shelly McGuire** and Director of Finance & Operations **Daniel Fundo**.



### ***Coaches Needed for Spring Sports***

Please contact **Athletics Director Rick Kohlhof** if you know of someone who might be interested in coaching for GSL this spring. A stipend is provided. Details below:

#### **TRACK COACH**

- Start date: Monday, March 17.
- End date: Friday, May 2 (championship meet).
- Commitment level: 4 days a week.
- Practice: Monday through Thursday from 4:30-5:30 @ the St. Agnes School track.
- 4 meets in April and the championship meet the first week of May.

#### **5/6 BOYS SOCCER, HEAD & ASSISTANT COACH**

- Start date mid to late February
- End date (tentative): 4/16/25
- Commitment level: 3 to 4 days a week.
- Practice days and times are flexible.



**Thursday, January 30th  
Anchor Center  
5:30-7:30 p.m.**

Please join us at the Italian Dinner presented by the GSL Class of 2025! The proceeds from this all-school event go to support the 8th grade class trip to Nantahala.

All GSL families can enjoy this evening by purchasing a dine-in meal or carry out option. You can register for the dinner online by Wednesday, Jan. 29, or pay at the door on Thursday, Jan. 30. For more information or to register, please click here: [Italian Dinner & Carnival Registration](#)

Also, we will have our pre-event Bake Sale this Tuesday, January 14, in the Anchor Center Lobby from 9:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m. (with a special Preschool-only time from 8:15-9:15 a.m. on the Anchor Center top floor!). Students will have the chance to stop by and shop for treats, so please plan to send them with a



little spending money that day!

Questions? Email Italian Dinner Event Chairs **Meghan Barksdale** or **Rob Robertson**. Thank you in advance for honoring this tradition and supporting the GSL Class of 2025. GO, SAINTS!



### ***MLK Day Observance***

GSL School and ACE will be closed on Monday, January 20 for MLK Day.



### ***Tuition and ACE Statements Available***

With tax season upon us, we remind you that tuition and ACE statements are available online through FACTS and UltraCamp. **Click here for our Business Office FAQs** document with the instructions for accessing these forms. (The FAQs are also posted under the Admissions/Tuition tab on our website.)



**Lower School Spirit Night**  
**Tuesday, January 21**

All Lower School families are invited to join us in the Anchor Gym on Tuesday, Jan. 21, for our first-ever Lower School Spirit Night. You'll see our Dogpound spirit section, get a glimpse of the Middle School athletic experience, and enjoy up to four exciting basketball games in the Anchor Gym! Free admission for all Lower School families. Please plan to join us. This is also our final Fan 5 Game Night for 2024-25.

Game times as follows:

- 5/6 Campbell Girls vs. Harding, 4 p.m.
- 7/8 Slatery Girls vs. Harding, 5 p.m.
- 7/8 Taylor Boys vs. Harding, 6 p.m.
- 5/6 Cannon Boys vs. Harding, 7 p.m.

**Go, Saints!**



**Preschool Preview Day: Tell Your Friends!**

Please tell your friends & co-workers: It's not too late to apply for the 2025-26 school year, and we've added a final Preschool Preview Date for prospective parents on Tuesday, Jan. 21, at 8:30 a.m. in the Anchor Center. This is a great opportunity for interested parents to tour Preschool and see classrooms in action. We hope you will help us spread the word! **Share this link to RSVP.**

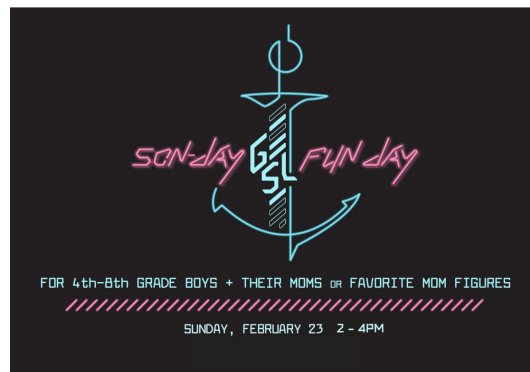


**Sweetheart Dance**

Please join us for a MAGICAL evening at this year's GSL Sweetheart Dance on **Friday, February 21 from 7-9 p.m. in the Anchor Center!**

All 4th-8th grade GSL girls are invited with their favorite father figure. Girls should come dressed as their favorite Disney princess or heroine! Dads and father figures - feel free to dress up as a prince or another character that corresponds with your daughter's character!

Cost is \$40 per person and includes a t-shirt for



**Son-Day Fun Day**

Get ready for an unforgettable afternoon of fun, neon, and memories at Son-Day Fun Day at **Billy Hardwick's on Sunday, February 23 from 2-4 p.m.!** This cosmic bowling event is the ultimate hangout for moms (or mother figures) and their 4th-8th grade sons.

Grab your brightest neon gear and prepare to light up the lanes as you bowl under black lights, dance to upbeat tunes, and enjoy some tasty food. \$40 per person gets you cosmic bowling, food, a special t-shirt for students, and the chance to win awesome door prizes. Students can also dress down wearing their Son-Day Fun Day t-shirt and jeans on Monday, February 24!

each student, commemorative framed photo, and refreshments. Students can dress down wearing their Sweetheart Dance t-shirt and jeans on Monday, February 24.

**Registration deadline is Friday, January 31**, so click [HERE](#) to register today!

Please be on the lookout for a sign-up to volunteer to help make this a magical night for our girls and their favorite father-figures!

Questions? Please email Event Chairs [Mary Evelyn Fore](#) or [Ashley West](#).

Dress to impress in your best neon costumes – there will be a Best Dressed Prize for each grade, so go all out with your wildest, brightest outfits! This is a fun opportunity to bond, laugh, and create memories that'll last a lifetime, so click [HERE](#) to register by Friday, January 31!

Questions? Email Son-Day Fun Day Event Chairs [Ellen Flechas](#) or [Sara Thatcher!](#)

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## ***Register Now for the Italy Trip*** **May 26-June 4, 2025**

7th and 8th Grade Families: Middle School Teachers Juan Roncal and Julie Binder will lead the GSL trip to Europe this summer for interested 7th and 8th grade students. This optional trip will include travel through Venice, Florence, and Rome.

Limited spots are still available! [Click here for the GSL trip website](#) and then click "Sign Up Now" to register today. The price increases in February. Questions? Email [Juan Roncal](#) or [Ellen Hendry](#).



## ***Free Yard Signs to Promote GSL!***

Would you like to promote GSL with a yard sign? This is so helpful to us, especially during admissions season! We have a limited number of signs in stock for families. These are available for free while supplies last. Just stop by the Administrative Office during business hours (8 a.m. - 4 p.m.) to pick one up. Show your GSL school pride and get your sign today!

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## **News from the Church**



## ***Church League Spring Soccer*** **Registration: January 1-31** **For JK-4th Grade Boys and Girls**

Grace-St. Luke's Church sponsors Spring Soccer for JK–4th Grades. The season runs April 5- May 17 and is a continuation of the fall season, designed for continued skill development during the spring.

Registration ends January 31 and can be accessed on the Church website [here](#), where you can find more detailed information.

Registration fills up quickly, so please register as soon as you can. Once registration is closed, individual placement will be permitted if space is available.

For continuity, whenever possible, the intent is to keep the spring soccer teams and coaches together from the previous fall season. Because soccer is offered twice annually, this is the **ONLY** church sport in which teams will likely stay the same for **ONE FULL CALENDAR YEAR**.

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## QUICK LINKS

- [Anchor Fund - GIVE TODAY!](#)
- [My GSL Parent Portal for Lunch, Uniform, and Preschool & Lower School/Middle School Handbooks](#)
- [Online Spirit Wear Store](#)
- [ACE: After School & Enrichment](#)
- [NEW! 2025-26 Important Dates](#)
- [2024-25 Important Dates](#)
- [Create a Family Library Account](#)
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