GSL eNews

October 25, 2026

THIS WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

October 25-30
Charleston Wrap Fundraiser

October 27
Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m., Church

October 28
Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m., Church

Vision Screenings for JK, SK, 2nd, 4th, 6th, and 8th Grade, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m., McClure Hall

October 29
All-School Chapel featuring Chapel Talks by Luca, Franklin, and Lyda, 8:05 a.m., Church

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m., ACE Room

5th/6th First Trimester Music Performance, 6 p.m., McClure Hall

October 30
All-School Black & Orange Dress-Down Day (Middle School students also have the option of dressing as mad scientists)

Celebration Chapel: 11th Annual Faculty/Staff Halloween Costume Contest, Hosted by Kimberley Morrison and Carmen Navarro, 8:05 a.m., Anchor Gym *(Parents welcome to attend)*

Preschool Halloween Costume Parade, 9-9:30 a.m., around the Anchor Center *(Parents welcome to attend and help line the parade route!)*

Click here for online School & Athletic Calendars

NEXT WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

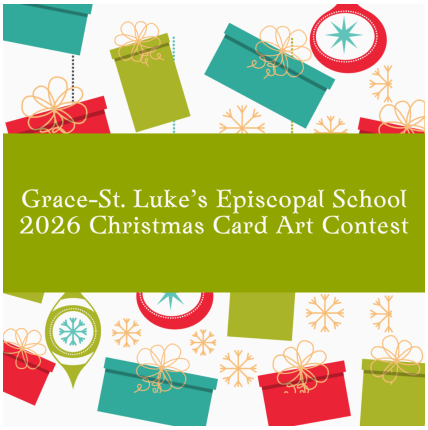
November 1
Daylight Savings Time Ends

November 2
7/8 Exam: English, 8:45 a.m.

November 3
Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m., Church

7/8 Exam: History, 8:45 a.m.

November 4
Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m., Church



Last Chance to Request a Packet—Christmas Card Art Contest Closes Wednesday!

If your child is interested in participating in this year's art contest, **email Brenda Berry** to request an art contest packet today. For details on this year's art contest, **click here**. All art submissions must be received by 3 p.m. on Wednesday, October 28.

Does your child need some inspiration? **Click here** to view the 2025 video featuring all student art submissions.



Guide to Giving & Getting Involved at GSL

If you are looking for ways to become meaningfully involved in the life of Lukers at GSL, check out the ***Guide to Giving & Getting Involved at GSL***!

Your involvement in our special community will positively impact your family's GSL experience and that of many others. Getting involved strengthens our community while helping you forge new friendships and deepen existing

7/8 Exam: Science, 8:45 a.m.

Hearing Screenings for SK, 2nd, and 4th Grade, 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m., Lower School

November 5
All-School Chapel featuring Chapel Talks by Angel, Louise, and Charlie, 8:05 a.m., Church

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m., ACE Room

7/8 Exam: Foreign Language, 8:45 a.m.

November 6
Celebration Chapel, Hosted by Jenn Futrell, 8:05 a.m., Anchor Gym *(Parents welcome to attend)*

7/8 Exam: Math, 8:45 a.m.

End of 1st Trimester

November 7
Preschool Garden & Play Admissions Event for Prospective Families
9-10 a.m., Preschool Outdoor Classroom
(Please tell your friends!)

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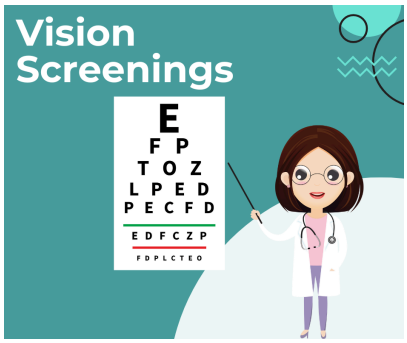
relationships. Our community is only as strong as its members, and the GSL community continues to be one of our most celebrated and cherished assets. Thank you for thoughtfully considering how you can personally be an active member of our school!



Saints Scramble Golf Hats!

Last chance to buy a Saints Scramble golf hat, created by Merrell Arts. Limited numbers in stock, and once they're gone, they're gone! Hats are $35 each; available for pickup at the GSL Admin Building. **Click here** to order yours today!



Vision Screenings for JK, SK, 2nd, 4th, 6th, & 8th Grade
Wednesday, October 28, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Parents/Guardians of students in the above grades: A permission form for this screening was emailed via Blackbaud. Please submit it before October 28. Your child will not be screened unless the permission form is completed.

Final Week to Register for Trivia Night!
Saturday, Nov. 7, 6-8 p.m., Stomping Grounds



This is the last week to register for the annual Parents' Association Trivia Night, **presented by Stomping Grounds Saturday, Nov. 7**! This fun event is for **adults 21+ only.** Details:

- Cost is $400 for a team of 8
- Food and 2 pitchers included (*guests can purchase additional drinks*)
- Our Trivia Night theme is *Night at the Cinema!* Teams are invited to select a film and dress as characters from that movie
- Prizes awarded throughout the evening
- **Deadline to register: Friday, Oct. 30** or until sold out

To register your team of 8, click **HERE**. Questions? Contact the P.A. Trivia Night Chairs: **Lydia Cooper**, **Marianne Smith**, and **Ellyse Woolard**.



Last Week to Earn Prizes for Charleston Wrap Fundraiser!

The chance to earn prizes for GSL's Parents' Association annual Charleston Wrap fall fundraiser ends THIS FRIDAY, October 30! Use the code **11033** to **register your child online here** and receive your child's unique student code.

Charleston Wrap offers **PRIZES**—the more your child sells, the more CW prizes they can earn! These will be delivered to students' classrooms after the sale. Additionally, the P.A. awards individual and class prizes to the top sellers.

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Even after our sales window ends, you can still make purchases until December 11, and all proceeds will go to support GSL!

If you don't want or need wrapping paper and gifts, but would still like to participate, you can donate to the Parents' Association directly via Venmo by scanning this QR code or by searching @GSLPA. These gifts will also go to fulfill classroom wish lists.

Questions? Email P.A. Event Chairs **Sydney Alexander** or **Kaleigh Sonnier**.

ACE: After School Care Featured Enrichments!

ACE
AFTER SCHOOL CARE
& ENRICHMENT @ GSL

Check out these featured enrichments and join us!

Paint, Play, Create!
Come explore, imagine, and create! Let's have fun through painting, drawing, and hands-on crafts. Create a masterpiece to take home.
Grade: PK
Date: October 27
Time: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Instructor: Natasha Cole
Cost: $65
The deadline **to register** is October 26 at 5 p.m.

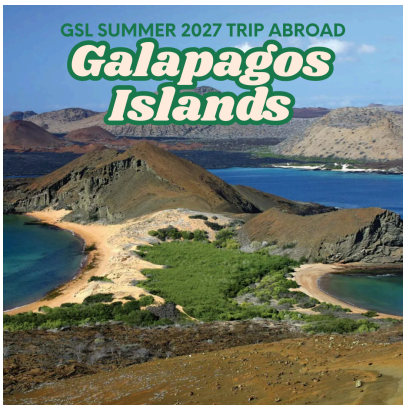
Halloween Spooktacular
Students will enjoy a fun-filled Halloween celebration with games, crafts, themed activities, music, and treats in a safe, non-scary environment. This enrichment encourages creativity, teamwork, and holiday fun.
Grade: PK
Date: October 29
Time: 3:45 - 4:45 p.m.
Instructor: Jamesha Horton
Cost: $50
The deadline **to register** is October 27 at 5 p.m.

Ready to do all things CAMPING?
Do you love camping, but without the bugs and heat? Join us in the Llama classroom for an indoor camping extravaganza! We will enjoy indoor s'mores, read stories by flashlight, and create camping memories all while indoors. Happy Trails!
Grades: JK - 2nd
Date: November 4
Time: 2:45 - 3:30 p.m.
Instructors: Mimmie Fisher and Anden Hamilton
Cost: $45

The deadline **to register** is November 1 at 5 p.m.

Galapagos Islands Trip: Deadline Extended to Oct. 31!

May 26-June 3, 2027



This nine-day trip led by Middle School Science Teacher Julie Binder will take participating students from Memphis to Quito, Ecuador, and on to the highly conserved, pristine Galapagos Islands. Our adventure will be heavy on hiking and snorkeling and should be a trip of a lifetime!

We have extended the registration/deposit deadline to October 31! For registration information, please **click here** and search for your trip by entering your school name and state. You may also **click here for a trip flyer** with highlights and **click here for a presentation** and sample itinerary. Questions? **Email Julie Binder**.



Reminder: Addresses Needed for Grandparents' Day

Grandparents' Day is Tuesday, November 24. We are in the process of sending invitations directly to grandparents using the information provided by families on the school's enrollment agreement. If you did not provide this information during enrollment, or if you are aware of any address changes, please **email Brenda Berry** the name(s), mailing address(es), and email address(es) of your children's grandparents or special friends today. Thank you for your help as we prepare for this special day!

Hearing Screenings for SK, 2nd, & 4th Grade

Wednesday, Nov. 4, 8:30 a.m.-Noon



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Save the Dates for Saints Hoops and Fan 5 Games!

The basketball season will be here before we know it! **Click here** to preorder your Fan 5 t-shirt today; deadline 11/11. And note these dates (12/4, 12/10, 12/14, 1/14, and 1/21) for the games/themes coming up this season. All Middle Schoolers who attend Fan 5 Games get a point for their red or white teams. If they dress up in theme at the game, they earn 2 points. Students MUST check in with Mrs. Merrell to ensure they get their points. See you soon, Saints!

Reminder About Sibling Applications

It's lots of fun to have your little sister or brother at school... and we LOVE welcoming new siblings to GSL! If you have a younger child still at home who is eligible to start Preschool next August (age 16 months by June 1), it's time to apply. We look forward to welcoming your little one as a new Saint! 😊 Please **click here** to apply today.





Performance Lab 2026-27: Acting 101

Performance Lab is an afterschool theater activity (Tuesdays & Thursdays from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.) that allows students the opportunity to hone their theater skills without the pressure of a major production. Classes begin Nov. 12 and end Jan. 21 with a final presentation for parents.

This year we will get back to basics with Acting 101. We will focus on character analysis, projection and enunciation, stage positions and areas, how to use your body in the space, and more. Basic skills with which every performer needs to be familiar! **Click here** for tentative schedule. Questions? Email Middle School Performing Arts Teacher **Leslie Reddick**.

Admissions Event: Preschool Garden and Play Day

Saturday, Nov. 7, 9:00 a.m., Preschool Outdoor Classroom

Please tell your friends who are looking at schools! Parents can learn more about us and let their child play in our beautiful, award-winning outdoor classroom. Share **this link** to RSVP.



QUICK LINKS

- Anchor Fund - GIVE TODAY!
- MyGSL Parent Portal for Class Lists, Lunch Info, Uniform Guidelines, and Preschool & Lower School/Middle School Handbooks
- Online Spirit Wear Store
- ACE: After School & Enrichment
- **2026-27 Important Dates**
- Create a Family Library Account
- Refer a Friend to GSL

Contacting ACE After School Hours

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