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Planning Ahead

Sept. 5	Labor Day- No School
Sept. 12	School Board Meeting
Sept. 16	PTL Walk-a-thon
Sept 30	No School- Staff Development
Sept 30	PTL Outdoor Movie
Oct. 7	Picture day/
Oct. 9	K-3 Grade Choir

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“Upon This Rock”

“Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord God is an everlasting rock” Is. 26:4

Let these changes sink in for a moment:

- More than 83 million people will be born this year into what is being called a “Data Economy”.
- The U.S. Department of Labor estimates today’s students will have 10-14 different jobs by the age of 38.
- The top 10 jobs in demand today were barely in existence 10 years ago.
- We are preparing students for jobs that don’t yet exist, using technologies that haven’t yet been invented, in order to solve problems we don’t know yet are problems.
- It is anticipated that there will be 10 million self driving cars on the road by 2020.
- If Facebook were a country, it would be the largest in the world.
- More than 4000 new books are published every day.
- It is estimated that 1 week’s worth of New York Times contains more information than a person was likely to come across in a lifetime in the 18th century.
- The amount of technical information is doubling every 2 years, so for students studying for a 4 year degree, ½ of what they learn that first year will be outdated by their 3rd year of college.

(Information taken from the following video. For more please watch: https://www.youtube.com/watch?annotation_id=annotation_1871640555&feature=iv&src_vid=XrJfDUzD7M&v=uqZilO0Y17Y)

I don’t think much more needs to be said to drive home the fact that the world is a constantly changing place. Those changes can be very scary and difficult to understand, particularly since the unknowns are monstrous. So, how do we teach and prepare students for jobs that are not yet in existence? And, how do children know what information is correct of the millions of gigabytes thrown at them? Where do we go for solid ground in this ever changing world?

The answer is simple: We go to the Lord our God. He is the one thing that is never changing. His information remains consistent. His teachings apply through all ages to all generations. It is only by grounding our students in our God that they are better equipped to handle all of life’s mind-boggling changes. That is exactly where we will start again as we begin another school year. We will “Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord God is an everlasting Rock.” (Is. 26:4)

In His Service,

Amy Gromowski, Principal

1st Quarter Chapel Offerings



Feed My Starving Children

Feed My Starving Children is a non-profit Christian organization committed to feeding God’s children hungry in body and spirit. The approach is simple: children and adults hand-pack meals specifically formulated for malnourished children, and we ship these meals to our distribution partners. FMSC meals have reached nearly 70 countries around the world in our history. Our chapel offerings will go to help pay for the food needed. Please visit their website www.fmsc.org for more information.

WELCOME!

Miss Ashlee Hathaway has the distinct honor of being the first teacher to come back to Good Shepherd to teacher after having been a preschool student years ago. As our new band director, Miss Hathaway is excited to share her musical talents with our students. She is a graduate of Crown College in MN. She also works at the Music Conservatory of Oconomowoc giving instrumental lessons. We look forward to hearing the musical sounds our students will make under her leadership.

Fall Sport Interest— Volleyball and Cross Country.

If your student(s) are interested in participating in a school sport this fall please contact the school office . Practice starts late August, so please respond as soon as possible. Thank you. Email to Hmcguire@goodshepherdwi.org or Fax to 920-261-2574

Welcome New Students!

We have 7 new students in PreK-8th grade this year. Please extend a warm welcome to Megan Nemeth, Ryder Ewert, Sophia Tobares, Sophia Garza, Anthony Dorsey, Jr, Hayley Smulders, Amelia Boer and their families.

We look forward to getting to know you throughout the school year. Welcome!

Tuitions Payments and Auto Payment Authorizations.



Non-refundable Tuition Deposit and tuition payments are due by Tuesday, **September 1st** to receive the **5% discount for K-8th grade.**

All parents that are choosing to pay by monthly installments will need to set up an automatic withdrawal form. The authorization form is attached at a PDF. Please fill out the information and return to the school office by **September 15, 2016.** If you have any questions please call Heather McGuire at 920-261-2579 or email hmcguire@goodshepherdwi.org.

WHAT DID YOU DO OVER SUMMER?



The school would like to put up students adventures for the summer on our video screens to share their summers. If you have any summer vacation pictures that you would like to share please send them to Heather McGuire at hmcguire@goodshepherdwi.org. Thank you!

NO LUNCH Available ~ AUGUST 24-Sept 2nd

Parents, please note that there will be no hot lunch available to our students for the two weeks of school. We receive our hot lunches from Watertown High School, and they are not able to provide lunch for us until September 6. Because of this, please make sure that your child(ren) has a sack lunch and drink for the first week of school. Thank you!

Good Shepherd Lutheran School will supply a lunch free of charge on August 25-Sept 2 to any student in need. Please contact the school office for details.



Lunch Menu

This year school lunch is \$2.90 per meal. There are **18** lunch days in September. If your child takes hot lunch each day, the cost is **\$52.20**. If your child takes milk only each day, the cost is **\$7.20**.

Thank you for submitting your monthly lunch payment to the school office!

Checking out Students during the school day

If you need to remove your student from school during school hours or coming in late to school because of doctor appointments or just running late, please remember to stop in the office to sign the sign-in sheet. This allows the office to know that your student(s) is in the building. Thank you!

Starting on Monday, If you drop your student off before 7:45am. They will be sent to Before School Care even for 5 minutes and you will be charged according for the hour of daycare. Thank you.

Parent Handbook

Parent Handbooks were sent home via email this week. Please take a few minutes to acquaint yourself with our school's policies. Also the PED forms are in this handbook. Thank you!



Interested in getting a CDL?

Good Shepherd bus driver volunteer group is looking for another person interested in helping to drive the bus on occasion for field trips and or gym days. The school is willing to help you get your CDL. Please contact Steve Zillmer @ 920-261-1224 or Ron Bartels @ 920-988-2993





Good Shepherd Lutheran School Library



- Each class will have a designated time period to use the library each Thursday. A schedule has been set up for the students' class. The librarian assistant or helper will give the students in grades Kindergarten through Third a plastic library bag. Students are expected to bring library bags on their designated day. Those bags will house all library materials that are borrowed. If the student does NOT bring their library bag, that student is not allowed to check out books. Please make sure your son or daughter has their bag. If the bag is lost, only **one** new library bag will be given to the student for the year.
- The student will be allowed to check out a maximum of **two** books per visit to the library. Older students (grades four-eight) can check up to **three** books. If the student has not finished the book, they may recheck it out. **The student does need to bring the book to school, if they would like to renew it.**
- Upon checking out books, the library helper will fill out the first and last name of the student on the library card and the date that it is due. The helper will also stamp the date in the inside cover of the book. Parents, please check this so you will know when your son or daughter's book is due back.
- During the week, a special designated group will come into the student's classroom and collect books. The student will be expected to return all library materials to the library cart. If the student does not return their books, they will not be able to check books out. IF the student is re-checking a book out, that student will need to let the helper know.
- If a student DOES NOT bring back their library materials after that week of rechecking them out, an email reminder will go out to the parent. Students need to bring books back in a timely manner. If the student does not, the following will take place as stated in the policy below.

Library Policy

*The school library program provides an optional supplement to classroom learning materials and motivation for reading enjoyment. Up to three books (dependent on grade level) per student may be checked out at any given time for a period of two weeks. A book may be renewed one time following initial check out for an additional two weeks. **In the event a book is not returned at the end of the renewal period, the replacement cost of the book will be issued to the student as the fine with an additional \$5 processing fee per book. If the book is later found and returned, the cost of the book will be refunded.** Students with any overdue books will not be permitted to take out additional materials until all fines are paid. A book is considered overdue after a period of two weeks.*