

# SGS NEWSLETTER



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## LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### IMPORTANT DATES TO RE- MEMBER

- > **Art Day on Friday, August 28—bring an old shirt**
- > **New School Picture taken after Mass on Friday, September 4**
- > **New Statue of the Good Shepherd will be blessed on Friday, September 4, 10am**
- > **Grandparents Day Lunch on Friday, September 11**
- > **The Jazz Band performs at the Polly Crocket Festival on Friday, September 18 at 3pm**
- > **Field Trip 3-8 Sep 23**
- > **Cookie Dough Fund-raiser—October 5-14**
- > **Fall Festival and 5 K Run at Good Shepherd on October 10**

Many exciting things are continuing to happen at the school. The teachers have really gotten into teaching Words Their Way, and I hope you are working with your child each evening on his/her Words Their Way homework. **You should have received a letter with assignments for Monday through Thursday.** The words they bring home on Monday are not to be sent back to school, but they practice with them at home. I also hope your child is reading at home each evening. The teachers are encouraging more independent reading at home.

As for our morning meeting all the readings for this month and beginning of

next month feature the Gospel of Luke. The students learned what apostle means and the importance of documenting what occurs, so future generations can read about it. We are continuing to do Brain Gym each morning, and it helps us get ready for the day. Ask your child to show you one of the exercises.

We truly appreciate all you do to work with your child each evening with Words Their Way, reading, and any other homework.

Thanks, Kelly

### Preschool News

Ms. Mary would like to include the Preschool parents on the email list and is asking any of you to please send an email with your child's name to [Bara.wright@yahoo.com](mailto:Bara.wright@yahoo.com). You can also give your address to Ms. Mary in the office. If anyone has not sent in their child's birth certificate and shot record, please do so immediately.

**There are still a couple of openings at the Preschool** – this is very unusual and we would like to ask anyone to please tell their family and friends about our wonderful program so we can fill these spots !!!

### FIELD TRIP

Students in **Grades 3-8** will go on a **field trip to Huntsville** to the Early Works museum to see a presentation about Thomas Edison. They will go Wednesday, September 23 and will leave the school promptly at 7:30 a.m. Please see the permission slip and driver request form in your child's folder. We do need chaperones and drivers.

**At this time we need volunteers for Art Day this Friday and the painting of desks in the afternoon (3:30) PLUS servers for the Grandparent's lunch on September 11—please email or call the school if you can help either one of those days.**

### **Basketball news!**

As of right now, we only have 3 people interested in basketball. If you are considering the idea, please let me know ASAP or we will not have enough students to start this year.

If your child is interested in participating in basketball at Good Shepherd this year, please let us know! We are in the process of establishing a girls and boys team to learn the game and compete with other elementary schools in the area. We will need students in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades who are willing to devote 2 nights per week for practices and games. We need at least 8 students from grades 3-5 to form a team. Please e-mail [brianandmandi@bellsouth.net](mailto:brianandmandi@bellsouth.net) or notify the school office if you are interested

### **Cub Scouts**

The first Pack meeting for our Troop will be Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 in the Cafeteria and the regular meetings for the individual Dens will be the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 5:30pm.

We would like to invite ANY boy interested in Scouting – they do NOT have to be students at GS and can be in 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade to join us.

Cub Scouting is a wonderful way to build character, improve physical fitness, learn practical skills and develop a spirit of community service.

Please email us at [gaylasuddarth@hotmail.com](mailto:gaylasuddarth@hotmail.com) for more information !

The school will have two new programs for students to participate in—

**Odyssey of the Mind ( K through8 ) and  
K-Kids ( ages 6-12 )**

Please look for information in next weeks newsletter on these exciting opportunities for your student !!!

### **Room Mothers/Father/Grandparents**

Please let Mrs. Doyle know if you' r e willing to be the Room Mother for your child ' s classroom. As such you would help the teacher prepare for special projects, be a general help for parties or events and at the top of the phone tree for that Grade.

**OVER 800\$ were raised by selling HOT DOGS at the Fair -**

**What a great Fundraiser the H&S put on !!!**

**Our thanks go out in particular to Ken Kuhn and the entire Kuhn Family for supporting  
this effort**

**THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS that made this happen !!!**