



# GREEN PARK LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Faithfully Equipping the Next Generation

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**“Rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.” Colossians 2:7**

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### The Ups and Downs of Technology

Up, down, up, down, up, down. That has been the story of our internet and email service for the last couple of days here at Green Park. We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused you; I assure you we have also been frustrated. Our internet provider, Charter, has been here and replaced the router; now the problem seems to be on our side of the system. We are working on it and hope to have it resolved soon.

While these outages happen from time to time, this is the first one of any significance we have encountered in at least the last 18 months. When these problems occur, please exercise patience knowing we are addressing the problem. Unfortunately, most of what we do administratively and in communication to parents and others is done via the internet, so our regular routines become disrupted. Teachers have to adjust some of their lesson plans, and recording grades is not possible. Teaching and learning still occur, but not always as planned. So, while we apologize for the inconvenience we know you will understand.

Rooted in Him,

Gary Spieler, Principal

## AUCTION UPDATES

We hope you have received your auction invitation and look forward to the event! Lots of great items are coming in - thank you for the support. All items received by Monday, 1/23, will be included in the auction book! Our final Raffle Ticket drawing will be next Wednesday, 1/25 following chapel. Big News!!! We have a puppy for the auction! Can't wait for everyone to see her! Our next auction meeting: Monday, January 23, 7:00 p.m. Volunteer sign up sheets will be available at the meeting and emailed home!

## BASKETBALL TEAM/INDIVIDUAL PICTURES

Basketball team (grades 5-8) and individual pictures will be taken Thursday, January 26, at 12:30 p.m. Players will need to bring their team uniforms and picture order form, along with payment. Order forms will be coming home on Monday, January 23. Additional forms will be available in the school office.

## MARKET DAY

Market Day pick-up is Tuesday, January 31, from 3:00-4:00 pm in Room #201 in the Elementary Wing. If you have any questions regarding Market Day, please contact Debbie Wolf at 772-1640 or Cynthia Truemper at 845-1888.

## SCRIP NEWS

Scrip Order Due Date: Friday, February 3 - Delivery Date: Friday, February 10.

A scrip order form is included with the Green Sheet this week.

A reminder that once the remaining inventory of Wal-mart cards in the school office is sold, they will only be available to order through Great Lakes Scrip.

Profit balance sheets through 12/31/11 (with a balance of \$10 or more) were sent home this week with the oldest child. If you have any questions regarding your Scrip Balance, please e-mail Sara at [sara.hopfer@att.net](mailto:sara.hopfer@att.net).

## EAST AFRICA DROUGHT - CAN YOU HELP?

East Africa is suffering the worst drought in 60 years. More than 11 million people are suffering with widespread food shortages. January and February chapel offerings will be going to Lutheran World Relief to help. Checks may be made to LCMS World Relief and Human Care.

## SHOW YOUR GREEN PARK SPIRIT!

Friday, January 27, is Green Park Spirit Day. Students may wear any Christian T-shirt or Green Park Spirit Wear (this includes t-shirts, hoodies, or sweatshirts that have *Green Park* or *Vikings* on them); with blue jeans or shorts (plaid uniform skorts are fine too!) Students also have the option to wear their uniform dress as well.

## ANDREW TORBECK - KIWANIS STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Andrew Torbeck! Andrew received the *South County Kiwanis Student of the Month* for January. Eighth grade students are selected based on their high academic and moral standing, participation in school activities and community involvement. Andrew was recognized at a luncheon this past Wednesday, January 18 at Ponderosa Steakhouse. Andrew received a Certificate and a \$50 Savings Bond! Way to go Andrew - we are proud of you!

## WILL YOU BE MY VALENTINE?

Wish everyone you know a “Happy Valentine’s Day” with a Valentine Gram! Valentine Grams (\$.50) each, will be sold February 6-10, in the gym before school. You can write a message to the lucky recipient and we’ll attach your choice of a special treat (stickers or fruit roll-ups!) All proceeds will benefit the Auction Fund!

## VIKING BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT WINS

### 7/8 Boys Basketball

Congratulations to the Green Park Vikings 7/8 Boys Basketball Team for their success on the basketball court! The team won the championship of the St. Mark's Lutheran School Tournament in Eureka the weekend of January 7. This past weekend, the boys participated in the Trinity, Jefferson City Basketball Tournament and placed third. Their trophies can be seen in the school office. Go Vikings!

### 5/6 Basketball

Teams are now practicing for their season start in February! Reminder to parents: please pay the athletic fee and complete forms so your player can participate in the game. Sign ups for the tournaments will be at the meeting.

## LHSS/LHSN BASKETBALL AT MARYVILLE UNIVERSITY

Join us for a day of basketball competition and family fun at the annual “Sem Games,” Saturday, February 4, featuring both the girls’ and boys’ basketball teams from Lutheran South and North! Five games will be played at Maryville University with the Freshmen boys’ beginning at 12:30 p.m. and ending with the Varsity boys’ game at 7:00 p.m. Admission is \$4 adults, \$3 students, and children 5 and under free. Students in K-8 wearing their school logo apparel will be admitted free! Alumni can enjoy a hospitality room throughout the games. For more information, contact LHSS at 631-1400.

## 4th ANNUAL HATS & HEARTS TEA TO BENEFIT L.A.S.E.

Please join us for our 4th Annual Hats & Hearts Tea to benefit the children of Lutheran Association for Special Education, Sunday, January 29, 2:00-4:00 p.m. Webster Gardens Lutheran Church, 8749 Watson Road.

Tea Luncheon and Dove Chocolate Tasting Fundraiser

\* Barbara Noble-Barnes, Chocolatier\*

Make a Dove chocolate trifle to eat at your table!

Purchase Dove chocolate for your Valentine gifts. 25% of all sales will go to LASE. \$20 per person/\$160 for table of 8. Call 314-268-1234 for registrations. Please RSVP by 1/23/2012.

### **PANCAKE BREAKFAST AT PEACE**

Boy Scout Troop 584 from Peace will be hosting a Free Will Pancake Breakfast in conjunction with Scout Sunday, February 5, from 7:00 to 10:00 a.m. Pancakes, sausage, coffee, juice and milk will be served! All proceeds will benefit the purchase of a new scouting trailer. We hope you will join us!

### **GETHEMANE PORK SAUSAGE DINNER**

Come join us for our 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Pork Sausage Supper Sunday, February 12, from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Gethsemane Lutheran Church. All you can eat Pork Sausage or Roast Beef meal! Ticket prices are \$8.50 in advance or \$9.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children ages 5-12 (children 4 and under free). To purchase advance tickets, please contact Beth Berner at [beth.berner@lhm.org](mailto:beth.berner@lhm.org) or [bernerbk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bernerbk@sbcglobal.net). We hope you will join us!

### **WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?**

1/23	Papa John's Pizza, Green Beans & Pears
1/24	Cheeseburger or Hot Dog, French Fries & Peaches
1/25	Waffles w/Sausage or Fish Nuggets w/Roll, Potato Starz & Pineapple
1/26	Baked Potato w/Chili & Cheese or Crispito w/Cheese, Steamed Broccoli & Mandarin Oranges
1/27	Baked Mostaccioli w/Roll or Hot Ham & Cheese, Corn & Chocolate Pudding

### **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

1/23	7:00 p.m. Auction Meeting 7:30 p.m. Jr. Winds Concert @ LHSS
1/24	1:15 p.m. Jr. Winds Perform @ Green Park
1/25	8:30 a.m. Chapel - First Semester Academic Recognition & Character Traits
1/26	12:30 p.m. Basketball Team Pictures
1/27	Spirit Day
2/1	8:30 a.m. Faith Families
2/3	Mid-Quarter 3
2/6	7:00 p.m. PTO/Auction Meeting
2/8	8:30 a.m. Chapel
2/10	11:30 a.m. Early Dismissal 6:00 p.m. Rooted in Faith - Auction @ Royale Orleans
2/12	1:00-3:00 p.m. Open House

### **ATHLETIC CALENDAR**

#### **Viking Boys (A1) Basketball 7-8th**

1/23	Game	vs. Good Shepherd	5:30
1/24	Practice	Green Park	3:30-5:00
1/26	Game	@ Salem, Affton	5:00
1/27	Practice	Green Park	3:30-5:00+
1/30	Practice	Gethsemane	3:30-5:00+
1/31	Practice	Gethsemane	3:30-5:00+
2/2	Practice	Gethsemane	3:30-5:00+
2/3	Practice	Gethsemane	3:30-5:00+
1/30-2/4	City Playoffs	Lutheran - St. Charles	TBA

+ Practice only if team makes City Playoffs

#### **Viking Girls Basketball 5-6th**

1/24	Practice	Green Park	5:00-6:30
1/26	Practice	Green Park	5:00-6:30
1/27	Practice	Green Park	5:00-6:30
1/30	Practice	Green Park	5:00-6:30
1/31	Practice	Green Park	5:00-6:30
2/2	Game	@ Messiah, Weldon Spring	5:30

#### **Viking (B1) Boys Basketball 5-6th**

1/23	Practice	Peace	5:00-7:00
1/26	Practice	Peace	5:00-6:30
1/27	Practice	Peace	5:00-7:00
1/30	Practice	Peace	5:00-7:00
2/2	Game	@ Messiah, Weldon Spring	4:30
2/3	Practice	Peace	5:00-7:00 p.m.

#### **Viking (B2) Boys Basketball 5-6th**

1/23	Practice	Peace	3:30-5:00
1/24	Practice	Peace	3:30-5:00
1/26	Practice	Green Park	3:30-5:00
1/30	Practice	Green Park	3:30-5:00
1/31	Practice	Green Park	3:30-5:00
2/2	Practice	Green Park	3:30-5:00