



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

Dress Code:

As we wrap up the first year of implementation for our new dress code, I have a few comments and observations.

In 2012-13 the uniform embroidered Green Park polo in green, blue, or white will be required every day with khaki or navy slacks, knee length khaki or navy shorts, a uniform skort, or a uniform jumper and a black or brown belt for slacks and shorts. **Older Green Park logo shirts and solid color shirts in approved colors will not be allowed.** We have conducted several sizing and ordering events this spring with the help of our two vendors. If you need to order more items, please don't wait too long, we encourage you to place your order with the vendors in June to allow ample time for delivery by the start of school.

Next year enforcement will include calls to the parents to bring items up to school so the child is in compliance. Some items you can help control at home are: check your child before they leave home, make sure they are in compliance, ensure their shirt is tucked in, and make sure they have a belt if their khaki pants or shorts has belt loops.

Since we had a full school year to adjust to the new dress code we look forward to a year where we have very few issues with student dress.

STANFORD 10 ACHIEVEMENT SCORES

When you receive your child's report card in a few weeks, you will also see the results of the Stanford Achievement Test which your child completed in March. These results are reviewed by our staff to determine where there might be gaps in our instruction. These tests also give us a snapshot that measures our students with students around the country.

I want to remind you to be careful as you look at the test results. The terminology used on these tests sounds similar to other words you may know, but they have different meanings. The term percentile does not mean percentage or a comparison of the number of correct responses to the number of questions. Percentile is a comparison of your child to 100 other children nation-wide of the same age who took this test. Another confusing term is Grade Equivalent. Many of our children perform at a grade level higher than they are in, that is good and also normal. This score is just a comparison tool to show how well they are performing, it is not saying they should be in that grade. As always, if you have questions, please contact your teacher or me for clarification.

Rooted in Him,

Gary Spieler, Principal

TEACHER AIDE POSITION OPEN FOR NEXT YEAR

Mrs. Cindy Glaub will be leaving us next year for another position. We will miss her as our Kindergarten teacher-aide. She is loved by our children and parents for her love and dedication to our students. Because she is leaving, we will be looking for a person to fill this part-time position. While a degree is not required, a willingness to work with young children, parents, and a supervising teacher is. Please contact Mr. Spieler, at 544-4248 extension 218, if you or someone you know may be interested.

STUDENT LUNCH BALANCE

All student lunch balances will carry forward to next year. However, if your child's balance is in the negative, we ask that you please bring this account current as soon as possible. Eighth grade student balances will be transferred to their sibling's account. Eighth grade students who have no younger siblings, as well as any other students not returning for next year (with a balance of \$5 or more) will be issued a refund check. Lunch balances can be checked at www.cafeprepay.com, or by calling the school office.

YEARBOOK DELIVERY

Yearbooks will be distributed on Monday, 5/21, to students who preordered. If you did not pre-order, there are a few extra yearbooks available in the school office for \$25.

BEFORE/AFTER CARE FOR LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

The last day of school for grades 1-7 is Friday, May 25. This is an **11:30 a.m.**

Early Dismissal. Before School Care will be open the last day of school at their regular time 6:30 to 7:55 a.m., however After Care WILL NOT be available. Please make arrangements for your child to be picked up by 11:30 a.m.

CONGRATS TO 5TH GRADE - PULLTAB CONTEST WINNERS

Wow! We have some major pull tab collectors! Thank you for supporting the Ronald McDonald House! The FINAL standings are as follows: K - 6 bags ~ 1 - 3 bags ~ 2 - 14 bags ~ 3 - 5 bags ~ 4 - 9 bags ~ 5 - 14.5 bags ~ 6 - 2 bags ~ 7BR - 4 bags ~ 7DR - 12 bags ~ 8H - 2 bags ~ 8S - 1 bags. The top 3 classes received a special ice cream treat! As a school we turned in 14 paper boxes of pull tabs! Thank you for helping the Ronald McDonald House! Keep collecting for next year!

AND THE BOX TOP WINNER IS

Congratulations to Miss Torbeck and our Kindergarten Class - they are our Final Box Top Champion! The Kindergarten class will be receive a Gus' Pretzel and drink! Thank you to all who participated. Final contest totals: Torbeck (943), Meyer (448), Prange (36), Gieseke (560), Huster (298), Cibulka (192), Rusert (214), Rueckert (302), Hesse (108), and Schiller (755) = 3,856 Box Tops = \$385.60! Grand total collected for this school year = 22,378 = \$2,237.80! Congratulations and WOW! Remember to clip and save your Box Tops over the summer!

MARKET DAY

June Market Day flyers are available now! This is our final Market Day order for the school year. Place your order *online* at www.marketday.com using your charge card and be a step ahead!!! Be sure to enter the GPLS code **24637** when placing your order or you can complete the paper order form in the catalog and return to the school office. Order sheets are due to the school office by Friday, 5/25, with internet orders due by 11:00 p.m., Wednesday, 5/30. Pick-up is Tuesday, 6/5 from 12:30-1:30 p.m. in Room #201 in the Elementary Wing. If you have any questions regarding our Market Day program, please contact Debbie Wolf at 772-1640 or Cynthia Truemper at 845-1888. Thanks for supporting Market Day this year!

LIKE GREEN PARK ON FACE BOOK!

When you LIKE Green Park Lutheran School on Face book, you have access to all the latest updates from campus happenings to big announcements. Check us out and LIKE our school. The more we have talking, the more we can spread our ministry and lift up Christ.

WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE GREEN PARK VIKINGS?

Vikings have big plans over the summer, why not share your school spirit with others? Students, parents, graduates, teachers, staff and fans...as you have fun over the summer whether you're at the beach, the Eiffel Tower, VBS, servant event, basketball camp or the snow cone stand down the street, we want to know about it! Take a picture of you and your buddies having fun showing your Green Park spirit with your favorite GPLS shirt or sign. Write a caption and email photos to katy.schmitt@greenparklutheranschool.org. Be sure to look out for your picture on Green Park's Face book page! Let's see how many fans we can get showing their spirit in the craziest places!

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

School office hours during the summer are Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. during the summer months. Our first day of school for the 2012-2013 school year will be Wednesday, August 15, for grades 1-8 and Thursday, August 16, for Kindergarten. Open House will be Sunday, August 12, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. More information will follow this summer!

REPORT CARDS - UNPAID ACCOUNT BALANCES

Report cards will be available for pick-up in the school office on June 4, 5 and 6 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please remember that all financial obligations must be met prior to receiving your report card. Any remaining report cards (with no outstanding balances) will be mailed on Thursday, June 7.

Parents, please note that any outstanding account balance left unpaid will result in a hold or non-release of student records, diplomas, summer mailing information, as well as suspended enrollment for next school year.

If you have any questions regarding outstanding balances, please contact the school office.

PHYSICALS NEEDED

As summer quickly approaches, please remember to schedule your physical appointments for the new school year. All kindergarten, 4th and 7th grade, and new students registered for the 2012-2013 school year must have a physical on file before the first day of school. This is a comprehensive physical which includes an updated vaccination history. Any students participating in Green Park Athletics next year will need an Athletic Permission and Physical form on file before they can begin practice. Both physical forms are available on our school website.

SCRIP NEWS

Please note: The church packets will not be filled over the summer. This Sunday is the last day that scrip sales will be available at the churches until August 19. Dierbergs and Shop 'n Save cards may be purchased throughout the summer in the school office during office hours (9:00 – 1:00, Monday through Thursday). Also, no scrip orders will be placed through Great Lakes Scrip during the summer. ScripNow orders can be placed online at any time, but the next school-wide order will not be placed until the new school year starts.

Also note, Wal-mart has increased their discount from 2% to 2.5%. The change was effective May 12, so all Wal-mart purchases made in the most recent scrip order earned 2.5%.

If you have any questions about scrip, please contact Sara Hopfer at sara.hopfer@att.net.

Thank you for your support of the scrip program throughout this past school year. We look forward to another successful year in 2012-2013!

LADY VIKING VOLLEYBALL CAMP

Volleyball Camp will be held July 10, 11 & 12. There will be 2 sessions.

Session 1: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for incoming 5th & 6th grade

Session 2: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. for incoming 7th & 8th grade

Each camp session is limited to 20 participants. Location for the camp has yet to be determined. We are hoping for Green Park, but could possibly be held at another location. Cost for the camp is \$40 and includes camp shirt.

To register or for more information please contact Phil Griffith at griffith.philip@gmail.com or 314-566-9106.

HOT LUNCH MENU FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday 5/21: Chicken Nuggets or Pizza Burger
Tuesday 5/22: Waffles w/Sausage or Fish Sandwich
Wednesday 5/23: Cheeseburger or Corn Dog
Thursday 5/24: Hot Dog or Pizza

PBJ will also be an option for lunch next week. Please note that Salad Bar will be available until our supply runs out.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

5/23 7:00 p.m. Kindergarten Closing Program
5/24 12:00 p.m. - 8th Grade 1/2 Day
5/25 10:30 a.m. - Closing Chapel (Last Day of School for Grades 1-7)
11:30 a.m. - Early Dismissal (No After School Care)
6:30 p.m. - 8th Grade Graduation Class Picture
7:00 p.m. - 8th Grade Graduation
5/28 Office Closed ~ Memorial Day
6/4-6 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Report Cards Available for Pick-up
6/7 Report Cards Mailed

SUMMER CAMP AT PEACE

Peace Lutheran Church will be offering a summer camp beginning in May for children ages 5 to 13. There will be several field trips each week that include Grant's Farm, St. Louis Zoo, bowling, swimming, crafts and more. Meals are included. Summer Camp is available from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Sue Velton at 892-8844 or email at earlychildhood@peacelutheranstl.org. Forms are available in the school office.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT PEACE

Join us for an "Amazing Desert Journey - Where Jesus Leads Us Home!" Vacation Bible School is June 11-15, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Cost is \$15 per child (not to exceed \$45 per family, and includes t-shirt, CD and crafts!) For registration or more information, please contact the church office at 892-5610! We hope you will join us!

INTERNATIONAL HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

The Lutheran High School Association of St. Louis is looking for families to host International Students attending LHSS and LHSN for the 2012-2013 school year. For more information please contact Terri Dalton at 606-0838 or email at daltontlee@hotmail.com.

GUITAR LESSONS

Mr. Rueckert will be offering guitar lessons this summer! Learn to: play chords, strum, flat pick, play finger-style, and improvise. Call or email Mr. Rueckert for more information or to set up a time. Phone: 314-302-2456 or email: Brian.Rueckert@greenparklutherschool.org

SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for a Summer program or sport camps? Be sure and stop in the school office to see the many opportunities available!

AUDITIONS FOR OLIVER

Auditions for *Oliver!* will be held July 14, from 12:00-4:30 p.m. & July 15, from 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. at Christ Memorial Lutheran Church. We are seeking participants of all ages, adults and children age 9 and up, male and female. The performances will be September 28, 29 & October 5, 6 at 7:30 p.m. and September 30 & October 7 at 2:30 p.m. See www.cmphows.org for additional information.