



GREEN PARK LUTHERAN SCHOOL

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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

Fall Festival and Back to School Bash a Success!

What more could you ask for, great weather, great friends, great food and fun for all. What a great and positive way to begin our 2011-12 school year. We certainly want to thank our PTO Committee headed by April Baese for all the work they did to make this event a success. I appreciate the opportunities we have to get together socially, because so many times we get together only for school issues. With so many other activities and events happening we are glad that so many families made an effort to attend as their schedule permitted. In case you haven't heard, Mrs. Cibulka won the chili cook-off as part of the festivities for the Back to School Bash. Dust off that special family recipe and get ready to challenge her next year.

Rooted in Faith,

Gary Spieler



CHURCH CHOIR SCHEDULE

Peace Choristers (grades 1-3) sing this Sunday, October 2, at the 10:30 a.m. service. Please meet in the choir room to practice at 10:15 a.m.



NO SCHOOL – OCTOBER 12-14

Please remember that school will not be in session and the school office will be closed Wednesday through Friday, October 12-14, as our faculty will be attending the Missouri Professional Church Workers Conference at Lake of the Ozarks. Classes will resume on Monday, October 17.



PICTURE RE-TAKE DAY

Picture re-takes are scheduled for Wednesday, October 19, for students absent on picture day or for students that would like re-takes. Please remember to return the original portrait package to the photographer on re-take day.



PTO "EAT AND EARN NIGHT"

Our October Eat & Earn Night is Wednesday, October 19, from 4:00-9:00 p.m. at Noodles & Company in South County. Noodles will donate 25% of the total food sales generated by our supporters to Green Park! Dine in or carry out! To receive credit, please bring in the attached flyer at the time of purchase.

COME GROW WITH US



We are offering two more GROW sessions this fall: Operation Mercy (Christian Service) and Doodle Stitching! Registration forms were sent in a separate email. We are still looking for GROW Mentors and session ideas. If you would like to be a mentor or have an idea to share, please contact Ashlyn Cunningham at acunningham@maryville.edu or 314-849-0068.

MARKET DAY



November Market Day flyers are coming home today with the oldest child. Place your *online order* at www.marketday.com using your charge card and be a step ahead!!! Enter the GPLS code **24637** when placing your order or you can complete the paper order form in the catalog. Be sure to check out the special Dessert Fundraising opportunity included with your regular Market Day flyer. Order sheets are due to the office by Monday, October 17, and internet orders are due by 11:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 19. Pick-up is Tuesday, October 25, from 3:00-4:00 pm 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.

HEADS UP – CONCUSSION INFORMATION



In August 2011, Missouri's new law, The Interscholastic Youth Sports Brain Injury Prevention Act was passed. At Green Park we are educating teachers, coaches and parents about the signs and symptoms of a concussion. Attached is an article about concussions. If your child is a suspect of a concussion and has any one of the symptoms, please notify your physician and/or seek immediate medical attention. If your child has been diagnosed with a concussion, please send written permission from their physician to resume any sports, gym or recess activity. Children should never return to sports or recreational activities on the same day the injury occurred. Please read the article included with the Green Sheet attachments so that you are aware of all the signs and symptoms of a concussion.



BOX-TOP CONTEST CONTINUES

Our fall Box-Top Contest will continue through Friday, October 14. Watch for information next week to see which class is in the lead. Clip your Box-Tops, glue or tape them to a collection sheet, put your name and classroom teacher on the form and return to your teacher or the school office. Extra collection sheets are available in the information center located by the school office. The classroom that collects the most Box-Tops will receive a Ted Drewes Frozen Custard Party!

CAMPBELL LABELS FOR EDUCATION



We continue to accumulate UPC's in the hallway bins from all of your favorite Campbell's products. So far this year we have deposited 4,316 points. Last year we collected 17,665 in points. All points equal merchandise for our school! Keep on cutting UPC's, saving them on the collection sheets (1 point and 5 point specific) and drop them off at school. They really do add up! Extra collection sheets are available in the information center located near the school office. For participating Labels for Education products visit the website <http://labels4education.com>. While you are there, be sure and sign up daily to register GPLS for a chance to win \$45,000 in computers and smart boards. You can submit an entry once a day.

FUNDRAISER ENDS OCTOBER 5



All fundraising order forms and money are due to school by Wednesday, October 5. Please return all items to your homeroom teacher. PTO appreciates your continued support. If you have any questions, please contact April Baese at april.baese@greenparklutherschool.org.

AUG.-DEC. CHAPEL OFFERING



Our chapel offerings for the months of August through December will be going to help the city of Joplin. The Lutheran school in Joplin has served as a relief center, cooling center, and served thousands of meals. We would like to help the Lutheran school continue to meet the needs of the community by helping to provide much needed shade or any other needs. Please give generously to provide **green** shade from our *Green Park Lutheran School!*

DRESS CODE REMINDERS



We are very pleased with the new Dress Code, and are equally pleased with the compliance by our students and families. There are a few areas that we would like to bring to your attention: (1) shirts worn underneath the Polo Shirts must be solid white (either short or long sleeve); (2) girls may wear only navy blue leggings or tights under their jumpers or skorts; and (3) socks should be solid white or black. Thanks again for your continued support.

SCHOOL CALENDAR



10/3 7:00 pm - PTO Meeting
10/5 8:30 am - Faith Families
Fundraiser Ends – Orders & Money Due
10/9 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am - Green Park Sunday @ LCR
10/11 7:00 pm Choral Concert @ LHSS
10/12-14 **NO SCHOOL – Teachers @ MO Dist. Conference**

GRANDPARENTS FOR GREEN PARK



Our grandparents are a very important part of Green Park. They provide support for their grandchildren, as well as all the children, faculty and staff. We would like to establish a database of grandparents to keep them informed of the various activities at Green Park and possible volunteer opportunities available. T-shirts and sweatshirts have been designed especially for grandparents to wear to athletic or school events, or just to show support for Green Park. Information and order forms are included with the Green Sheet attachments this week. For more information, please contact Bert Lind at 544-4371.

ATHLETIC CALENDAR

Soccer (5-6)

10/3 Game @ LHSC vs. Zion 5:30
10/4 Game @ Bohrer Park vs. AS 4:00
10/6 Practice Green Park 3:30-5:00

Soccer (7-8)

10/3 Game @ LHSSC vs. Zion 4:30
10/4 Game @ Bohrer Park vs. ISC 5:00
10/10 Game @ St. John, Ellisville 4:15

Cross-Country (3-8)

10/3 Meet St. John TBA
10/4 Practice Green Park 3:15-4:00
10/6 Practice Green Park 3:15-4:00

Volleyball (5)

9/30-10/1 Tournament @ SJ, Ellisville TBA
10/4 Match @ SPDP 5:15
10/6 Match @ GS, Collinsville 6:30
10/7 Practice Green Park 3:30-5:00

Volleyball (6)

10/3 Match @ SL Victory Christian 4:30
10/4 Match @ SPDP 4:15
10/6 Practice Green Park 3:30-5:00

Volleyball (7-8)

10/1 Tournament @ SP, Farmington TBA
10/3 Practice Green Park 5:00-6:30
10/4 Match (A1) vs. SPDP 4:15
Match (A2) vs. SPDP 5:15
10/6 Match @ GS, Collinsville 6:30
10/7 Practice Green Park 5:00-6:30

JOIN THE GREEN PARK

READ, RIGHT & RUN MARATHON TEAM



Registration has begun for the 2011-2012 Read Right and Run Marathon! Students read 26 books, do 26 good deeds and run 26.1 miles. Journals will arrive in October to help your child begin their training. Race day will be April 14, 2012. Registration and parent information were emailed home earlier this week. **Please note that this event is open to anyone who would like to participate, but it is not a Green Park Sponsored Event.** For more information please contact Green Park's Parent Coordinator, Laura Thomas at samohtl@charter.net. We hope you will consider participating in this worthwhile program!