



Dear Valued Families,

Happy Holy Week, I am thankful that we are moving toward a place of spending more time with our families, and sharing our love and joy for your children.

March was a great month for our students on both campuses. Our preschool children have really enjoyed their projects, and lessons centered around Spring time, creepy crawlers and things that sliver; to name a few! I love seeing their smiling faces walk down the halls. Our elementary school students have had huge success at the Salinas Art Festival and also our very 1st Science Fair! Our elementary school children will also compete in the Private School Interscholastic Association academic competition at the end of this month!

Parents, thank you for everything you do to support our team. We look forward to offering many more opportunities to reconnect after a long year, and we hope to have you all around more and more.

As a reminder our Engagement Review for accreditation is coming up May 6 & 7. If you haven't had a chance to complete the parent surveys, we could really use your feedback to better support all of our students. We are currently accepting applications for School Board members, Parent- Teacher Association members, and also our new Family Groups we are working on. We are growing quickly, and we will need your help to support this growth! If you have interest or need information on any of these possibilities to be more involved send me an email today! We would love to have your help!

Pre-K Graduation is coming up at the end of May, we will release dates soon for that, so please keep that on your radar preschool families.

Many Blessings, and the deepest respect for each of you,

Alysa K. Johnson

See attachments for additional information on April announcements, parent-teacher conferences, and Spring needs.

# HAPPY EASTER

We wish everybody a happy and safe Easter as it will be spent with our closest loved ones, celebrating the resurrection of Jesus from the dead.

## Illness Policy

When and if your child is sick, it is very important that you inform the Admin team. This is to happen even if the child is diagnosed over the weekend and was not sent home from school. We want to make sure that we are attempting to keep children healthy and safe.

## COVID-19 POLICIES

Masks are required for all GSLS students, GSB staff and parents that are picking up/dropping off children. All children and staff entering the building will have their temperature checked. A temperature above 99.6 will result in no entry and sent home. No adult/parent entry at either buildings. Children must be picked up/dropped off at the front doors. After entering the building, staff and children must wash their hands. There is no family style meal service, all food will be prepped and served by the staff.

## LSLC Preschool Parent Teacher Conferences

We have scheduled in-person Parent Teacher Conferences for the month of May. Please keep a look out for an email regarding the dates available to sign up. Parents will be able to sign up for a 10-15 min slot where they can discuss the progress of their child over the course of this school year. The teachers of LSLC have put together portfolios for each child paying special attention to milestones such as social emotional skills, comprehension, and much more. Copies of the child's portfolios will be sent to parents to review with their teacher. The teachers will take time to go over their findings along with answer questions you may have.

## LSLC Week of the Young Child

April 10-16th we will participate in the Week of the Young Child celebration. Please check your email later in the week for the list of what will occur on each day.

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| Mrs. Paul      | 1st  |
| Braylee Renfro | 2nd  |
| Vincent Ly     | 3rd  |
| Emily Hargis   | 8th  |
| Ms. Deserae    | 9th  |
| Ellory Krcmar  | 9th  |
| Ember Wobus    | 11th |
| Micah Parobek  | 13th |
| Remi Eaton     | 15th |

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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|------------------|------|
| Jordan Hamilton  | 15th |
| Blake Hilbig     | 16th |
| Samuel Alexander | 17th |
| Adeline Prokop   | 18th |
| Adalyn Carnahan  | 19th |
| Beau Minchew     | 21st |
| Hallie Lawrence  | 24th |
| Piper Cruz       | 24th |
| Auroya Casteneda | 25th |

## Spring Needs:

Spring is here and the weather conditions have changed. With that being said there are a few items your child may be in need of. Please be sure to check and change out your child's extra clothes. Cooler, breathable clothes will be needed for the warmer weather. Be sure that your child(ren) also have an extra pair of shoes, as well as sunscreen and bug repellent.

### Summer Intentions

Summer intention forms were sent out in January. If your summer intentions have changed— please let an admin know ASAP so we can continue to plan for our summer programming.

### Information Update:

Please remember that if any of your contact information changes to please let the administrative team know. This includes but is not limited to phone numbers, email address, mailing address, etc. It is important that your child's information stay up to date.

### Children's Book Day

#### April 2nd:

Friday April 2nd we encourage children to read their favorite book with their parents. Allow your child to talk about the pictures and what they mean. Encourage your child to make connections in the story, expanding their mind and knowledge.

### CLOSED DATES

We will be closed  
**FRIDAY, APRIL  
2nd FOR GOOD  
FRIDAY**



### EARTH DAY

Earth day is Thursday, April 22nd. We will celebrate by wearing **GREEN!**





Hello Parents,

This April we celebrate Easter, a season of resurrection and new life. God is able to turn the tragedy of Jesus' death into new life, both for Jesus and his followers. What needs resurrection in your life?

Celebrate Easter this year by proclaiming the ways God is active in your life and our world. Try creating a gratitude list at the start or end of your day (you may already do this), or maybe as a family prayer at mealtime. This gratitude will help us see how God is already risen among us. And the more we see God among us, the more we *will* see God among us. This is what Easter is all about: proclaiming Christ risen. Gratitude can help put us in touch with this resurrection. Jesus' resurrection will spread in our community in the same way it spread through the early followers 2,000 years ago. You can join Good Shepherd for worship to re-enact Jesus' final days together, and to remember the good news that makes life worth living: sin does not have the final word, but God's love does. Here's the Holy Week Schedule:

- Wed. 3/31 @ 6:30 PM [via zoom](#) only *Community Listening: Letter From Birmingham Jail.*
- Th. 4/1 @ 6:30 PM *Maundy Thursday Worship*
- F. 4/2 @ 6:30 PM *Good Friday Worship, Stations of the Cross*
- Sun. 4/4 @ 10 AM *Easter Sunday Worship*

All worship events are in-person in the Good Shepherd Sanctuary, and also available digitally [via Zoom](#).

In the peace of Christ,  
-Pr. Travis

# GSL'S P.E.

"Let's Roll" for the month of APRIL! I am so pumped to introduce "FIT DICE FRIDAY".

Our kids will **Roll the Big Die** and do the activity .. *activity might say 10 lunges or 5 jumping jacks.*

Congratulations Zayden & Brooke who lead the kindergarteners with 80+ consecutive jumps. Our kids continue to thrive in their jump roping efforts. We are continuing to "roll" with Bobby Bones Skeleton. This is what the students have learned: the "Patella", "Femur", "Rad-Radius", "Humerus", "Rib Cage", and the "Cranium". Ask your child to locate each one!

Acknowledging our Athlete "Stand-Outs" for March:

K - Cole

K- Brooke

1st Reign

2/3 Michael

2/3 Tyler

I want to give a big "Shout Out" to JJ's family for donating to the P.E. Program.

Go Lions,  
Coach Turner

# GSLs Art

I hope everyone has a happy and Holy Easter!

All of our students worked so hard preparing and completing their final submissions for the Salinas Art Festival. I am extremely proud of all they have accomplished during our limited time together. We are moving forward in our artist's time machine to study Classical Art. Recently, the Louvre, the world's largest art museum, released their entire collection as free virtual galleries. This is an amazing opportunity to increase our student's visual literacy, giving them the chance to critically evaluate and respond to the ideas found in these collections. This month we will explore this virtual gallery, looking specifically at examples of Classical Art. Using this resource, we will focus on strengthening our artistic vocabulary and exploring artistic ideas. At the end of this unit, each student will create their own art piece inspired by their favorite Classical painting.

I am very excited to see what our students will come up with!

Ms. Alicia Ziegler

## Salinas Art Festival Top 10 & Finalists



Kinsley Watkins

Second Place Overall -  
Kinder



Lauren Jaehne

Top 10- First Grade



Reign Ross

Top 10- First Grade

# GSLs Music

Hello Good Shepherd families!

I hope everyone is enjoying the nice weather we've been having. We've had a lot of fun in music class this month, with the kindergartners and first-graders using shapes to represent different body movements and instruments. This concept is the foundation for understanding musical notation, so I'm excited to see them grasping it so well! In our second and third grade class, we learned about the musical staff, and introduced the terms *staccato* and *legato*, which refer to playing notes short and separated or smooth and connected. We also have continued to listen to instruments of the orchestra, and the kids continue to improve their aural identification skills!

Moving toward the end of the year, we will be reviewing and practicing the concepts we have covered this year, and I look forward to playing some fun games with the kids that reinforce these ideas. They have been a big fan of our "Freeze Dance," "Instrument Tic-Tac-Toe," and "Rhythmic Simon Says" games, and I love seeing them apply their music knowledge and critical listening in an energetic fashion. We are also working on a few songs and demonstrations for a brief presentation towards the end of this month! I'm looking forward to finishing the year strong!

Blessings,

-Steve Carlton

# GSLs Science Fair Winners



Charlie Fritsch

First Place– Kindergarten



Brooke Wilson

Second Place– Kindergarten



Cole Hellmann

Third Place– Kindergarten



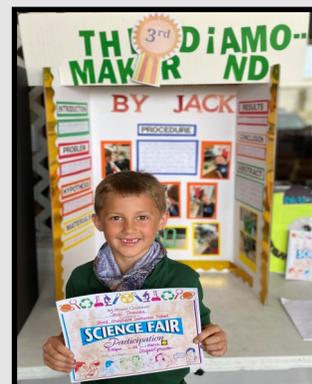
JJ Gilbert

First Place– 1st Grade



Layla Tovar

Second Place– 1st Grade



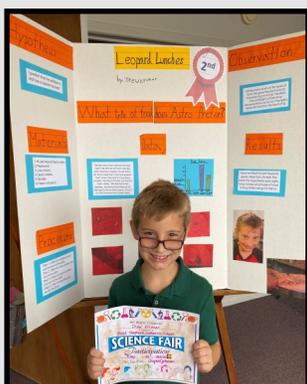
Jack Thomas

Third Place– 1st Grade



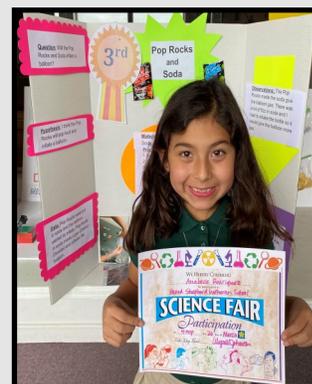
Michael Tuttle

First Place– 2nd Grade



Drew Krcmar

Second Place– 2nd Grade



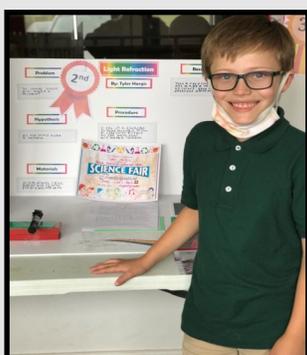
Anabelle Rodriguez

Third Place– 2nd Grade



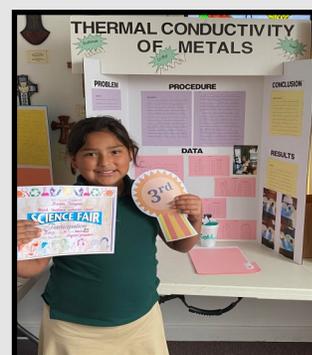
Emma Waley

First Place- 3rd Grade



Tyler Hargis

Second Place– 3rd Grade



Alazae Thompson

Third Place- 3rd Grade