

# Good Shepherd Bastrop

Little Sheep Learning Center (LSLC 6 weeks—5 years)

Good Shepherd Lutheran School

(GSLS Kinder-6th grade)



Dear Valued Families,

Happy New Year!

Welcome to another brilliant, inspiring year for our families and children! GSB hopes that your holiday season was a blessed one, complete with precious memories and overwhelming joy. GSB is very excited about the new year. Our themes this month include "Creative Me". All children will continue counting, sorting, patterning, and graphing during this month. Encouraging little ones to talk, is what our Infant program is focusing on this month, creating brain compatible strategies and acting with intention.

Our toddler rooms, will also focus on developing emerging skills in caring and cooperation, and recognizing and responding to feeling and emotions of others and begin showing concern. Using consistent language in helping develop speaking skills, and expanding vocabulary words for objects or concepts. Spatial Awareness, or sense of space, is developing as children learn to negotiate objects and obstacles around them.

Our 3's and PreK programs will focus on geometric shapes, sides corners, and angles. Our children will use their imaginations as they use tools to build and create their masterpieces this month. Our character education will focus on cooperation and intentionality.

Our School age, after school program will continue its focus on brain smart activities, extending learning beyond school, and creating valuable relationships that focus on respect, compassion and empathy.

Our Elementary school has blossomed spiritually, academically, and socially. With the addition of sports, art club and soon the be garden club, we have provided many avenues for students to challenge themselves, and experience new and encouraging things. Gifted & Talented screening is occurring this month, and we are committed to continuous improvement of our school to better serve all of our students and families.

Thank you for sharing your family with us.

Warm regards,

Alysa K. Johnson

## Announcements

- GSLS day-camp 1/3
- Good Shepherd Bastrop CLOSED 1/2
- Spring Break Camp March 14th-18th. Please be on the lookout for camp details. Our camp is open to the general public upon availability.
- Summer Camp packets will be out after spring break. Summer Camp will be open to the public for enrollment upon availability.

## Parent Teacher League

PTL meeting Jan 5 @ 6pm

## GSLS Private

## Elementary School

## Enrollment Information

- *GSLS Priority placement for K-6th enrollment starts Jan. 1st.* Priority placement is given to all LSLC/GSLS families and siblings of LSLC students. Applications should be submitted now for acceptance. Upon acceptance, deposits are collected in February. Click [here](#) for application of interest in enrollment.
- General public enrollment starts March 1st.

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## **Tuition Increase**

February 1st the new tuition rates will be in effect. This increase only applies for LSLC Preschool. This increase is \$25 for every age group.

## **Child Care Tax Statements**

2022 year end statements will be available for pick up this month. Once completed, we will notify you.

This applies only for LSLC and afterschool care.



## **Temperatures are fluctuating!**

Please remember to dress your child in weather appropriate clothing- and also provide weather appropriate change of clothes. Please remember to label every garment to help us return items back to each child.

## **Closed Dates**

- Good Shepherd Lutheran School will be CLOSED Jan 3rd, 4th as well as the 16th for Martin Luther King, Jr Day.
- GSLS/LSLC day camp is provided on Jan 3rd, 4th, and 16th.

## **Nap Mats**

Please check or speak with your child's teacher to see if their mat needs to be replaced. Nap mats may not have holes, rips or any tears in them.



Cole Hellmann	1st
Briella Almaguer	4th
Colt Williams	5th
Ethan Ramirez	8th
Garret Thompson	13th
Elijah Orellana	21st
Kamryn Zigal	25th
Beau Hudspeth	27th
Keaton Ramirez	30th
Charlie Fritsch	30th
Tyler Hargis	31st
Ashelyn Vargas	31st
Ms. Reid	31st

## **GSB Elementary Tuition &**

### **Deposit Information**

1. \$725, Full Tuition is Due the 1st business day of the month

2. Afterschool is \$200 a month

3. Meal Plan is \$50 a month

Day Camp is included in your monthly tuition amount.

Deposit of \$725 due Feb 1 to secure Fall 2023 placement

## **LSLC Preschool Tuition Policy Reminders**

1. Enrollment Fee is \$50 per family and is paid upon joining the waitlist/program. This is a one-time fee per family. \$50 Supply Fee is due every September- this fee is due for each child. Registration Fee of \$50 per child is due every January.

2. A two weeks' notice, in writing must be given when withdrawing your child. Payment must be made whether or not your child is in attendance.



# PE POST

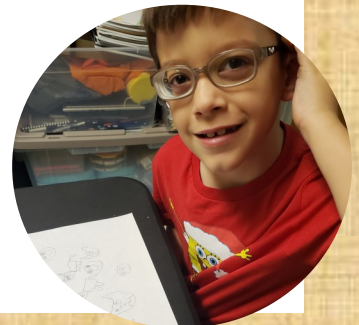
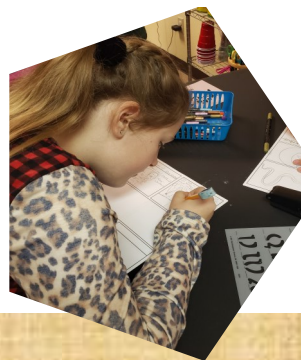
Hello Lion Families,

Welcome to another Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious inspiring year for our children! Good Shepherd School has entered K-5th grade into a nationwide jump rope challenge. Students will compete against their own grade and division. It will begin in January and end in March. Already 49 schools have signed up from 18 States and 4 countries. The competition will be "virtual", I will report scores weekly to the host school. Jump roping has been known to improve cardiovascular fitness, muscular strength and endurance. It also helps to establish balance, footwork, stamina, motor skills, and more that can serve kids in many other sports. It definitely takes practice to turn the rope and the timing to jump. Any additional training at home will benefit your child for this competition.

Jumping for Joy, Coach Turner

Happy New Year everyone! I hope you had a wonderful time with Family and friends over the holidays. 2023 is going to be the best year yet!! We have a lot going on, a lot of goals need to be met and I know we're more than capable of making it all happen. We have the Salinas Art Contest happening, the deadline to turn anything in is March 10th. Ten student's from each class will be picked to participate in this event, I will be working with them individually and turning in their pieces. You don't have to do anything for this event but cheer the school on and support your child. If your child isn't participating this year, please know that we have another huge event where everyone will get the opportunity to participate. This summer our art work will be hanging in the Austin Airport and we're thrilled and looking forward to it. Each student will be working on a piece to be showcased at the Airport, more details to come. This year we're going to get dirty, create an abundance of messes and have loads of fun along the way. Please know your child will be working hard to have enough pieces to have our 2nd Annual Art Gallery Show here at the school, at the end of the semester. So much excitement and so many things to look forward to, I feel very blessed. Thank you all for your gifts, encouragement and support. Let's have some fun this year!

## ART CORNER!



Happy New Year! May the God of hope fill you with courage this new year.

This January we're focusing on some of the earliest stories of Jesus' ministry: Simeon and Anna, the boy Jesus in the Temple, and Jesus' baptism. In each of these stories Jesus was claimed by his community and God. Knowing he belonged to his people and God helped him fulfill God's call in his life.

At Good Shepherd we make this same claim for our kiddos: God claims us and God calls us. As our kiddos navigate the tricky ins-and-outs of being human, they can rest on the ground of belonging to God and serving God's purpose. Thanks for reinforcing this basic message every day!

Here are a couple of events coming up through Good Shepherd that will be worth checking out:

January 11th - dialogue on How Jesus Saves the World from Us with Pr. Kent Bohls at the 9e Ranch (2158 TX-304, Smithville, TX 78957), 6:30 PM. If you'd like to join via Zoom, contact Pr. Kent at (512) 663-1005 or kentbohls@gmail.com.

January 15th - commemorative Martin Lutheran King worship online, 3 PM. Add this digital event to your calendar here: [MLK Worship calendar event](#).

Again, many blessings on the new year for your whole family.

In gratitude,

-Pr. Travis