



# Good Shepherd Catholic Regional School

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Friends,

I would like to begin by thanking you for supporting our **Magazine & Gift Drive** fundraiser, which was a great success! We sold just over \$10,000 in either subscriptions or gifts! We would like to extend a special “**Thank You**” to the many volunteers who assisted with the weekly tallies, paperwork, follow-up and the distribution of student incentive prizes. We could not have succeeded without your help! Top selling student was Charles Coulbourn, in Grade 6. This year, our top selling class is Mrs. Chudy’s 6<sup>th</sup> grade homeroom, with an average of \$72.00 per capita in Magazine and Gift Sales! Congratulations to all on a job well done!! A reminder, you may purchase magazines, online at any time throughout the year by logging on to the Great American website. Proceeds will benefit our school. Visit [www.gaschoolstore.com](http://www.gaschoolstore.com) and enter School ID #**2690923**. The magazines and gifts offered make great gifts for all ages.

I would also like to thank you for your ongoing support during our first month of school. It has been quite a busy month as teachers established classroom routines and procedures to ensure your child receives a quality educational experience here at Good Shepherd School.

We kick off the month of October with our annual **Clothing Drive**, which begins on Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. Working to assist the Coat of Many Colors, an all volunteer group from St. James Episcopal Church, we will be accepting clothing donations to help those in our community. Our school will be collecting gently used or new winter coats, gloves, hats, boots, and other adult/children’s clothing. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated!

Next in our busy month ahead, is the **Autumnfest Weekend**. Do not forget to check out the Good Shepherd Band in the Autumnfest Parade on October 9<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for Middle School student volunteers for Parade Assistance. If you’re interested please see Mrs. Berard for more details.

**Eighth Grade Parent Night** will be held on Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm to discuss plans for the upcoming 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip. Parent attendance is strongly encouraged in order to finalize plans for this trip.

Following the 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent night, **our PTO** will have their next meeting on Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the school library. We will be putting final touches on **Family BINGO Night**, scheduled for Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 pm-8:00 pm. All students and their families, both Msgr. Gadoury and Good Shepherd are welcome to join us for the evening, full of great prizes and loads of fun! Admission to this popular event is one canned good, to benefit the Saint Joseph’s Church Food Cupboard. Also, on this evening, we are holding our school **Family Book Fair Night**. Come and check out the wonderful books that are available for your children.



You are invited to join us for our **Annual Living Rosary**, to be presented on the field behind Good Shepherd School on Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 p.m. Father Woolley will be assisting our 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders as we honor Our Lady of Fatima during this prayer service.

Our **Scholastic Book Fair**, will be held from Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>- Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Students will be allowed to shop for books during their AM break time, as well as, during our Family Book Fair Night on October 18<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to seeing many of you there!

**First Trimester Progress Reports** will be issued to students on Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. The reports need to be **signed and returned** by October 20<sup>th</sup>.

**GWCRS Crafter Vendor Fair** is fast approaching and will benefit Monsignor Gadoury and Good Shepherd Catholic Schools Technology Program. The craft fair is scheduled for Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 9am-3pm. We are looking for Middle School student volunteers to help set up and clean up on Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> from 4pm-7pm and on Saturday for all shifts. This is a great opportunity for Middle School students to receive service hours for the year. For more information, please see Mrs. DeOliveira in the school office.

The **Good Shepherd Basketball** program will be up and running in the next few weeks with four Catholic Athletic League (CAL) teams, which involve boys and girls in Grades 5-8. A special "Thank You" goes out to all our volunteer coaches: Mrs. Pelletier, Mr. & Mrs. Platek, Mr. Boylen, Mr. Moyen, Mr. Cunnanan, Mrs. Luca, and Mr. Robillard.

We continue to collect **Box Tops, Campbell Soup labels and ink cartridges**. Thank you for your support.

We thank everyone who participated in **Stop & Shop A+ School Rewards** program. We will continue this program again this year. Our School ID # is 05750 if you have not registered yet for this program our school will greatly appreciate your support.

Our first **Jeans Day** on September 27<sup>th</sup> was a great success. Through the generosity of our Good Shepherd students and families we were able to raise **\$283.00** toward the Alzheimer's Association. I am so proud of all of our students for their support toward this organization!! Our **next Jeans Day**, is scheduled for Wednesday October 18<sup>th</sup>, and proceeds will benefit the Respect Life Billboard Project. Students are allowed to dress down appropriately and modestly. Apparel **NOT ALLOWED**, on any Jeans Day, are as follows: tight jeans or short shorts, jeans with holes in it, spandex, leggings and jeggings. In addition, inappropriate worded T-shirts, apparel that shows armpits or bellybuttons, low-cut shirts are considered unacceptable.

The fun activities just keep on going, with a special visit from our second graders from Monsignor Gadoury on Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. During their first visit of the year to our school, second grade students will spend the day with their 4<sup>th</sup> grade buddies and see what the day is like at Good Shepherd School. While they are here they will be



able to view pumpkins from our school's **Pumpkin Decorating Contest**. More information will follow.

Our extracurricular activities have started afterschool for students. **The Good Shepherd School Band** is has been underway for the last few weeks, as well as, the school **Choir**. **Band Rehearsals (for current band members and new members)** will be held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, from 2:45pm-4:15pm. Band participation is open to students in grades 4-8. Check the notice that was sent home for assigned days for new and current band members. Also in October our **Drama Club** will begin the year with a mandatory meeting on Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 pm in the school cafeteria. This is an important informational meeting that will help to answer any questions you have about Drama Club. In addition, the **Craft Club** will be available to students one Wednesday per month with the first meeting taking place on Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 2:45pm-4:00pm. Permission slips for Craft Club will be available in the next few days. **Student Council** meetings will begin on Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> during 10:15am break time. Further information will be provided in the next few weeks for upcoming events planned for the school year.

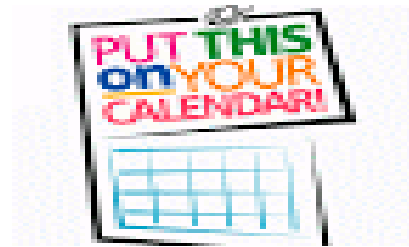
Our **Games Corner**, is up and running, being used regularly during indoor recess on poor weather days. If you have any air hockey, soccer or foosball tables that you are not using, we will certainly put them to good use! More information will follow in the upcoming weeks for the start date for Game Club. As a reminder, if anyone has a **“tennis ball collection”** that they are willing to part with, we can always use them for our desk and chair legs.

**A special note to our Good Shepherd families:** The faculty and staff at Good Shepherd feel that it is very important to keep parents and guardians well informed of school-related events and activities. One of our most *successful* and *efficient* ways of doing so includes sending monthly newsletters, calendars, and important notices out to families **via Rediker Announcement**. This announcement system will ensure that you will be informed in a timely manner of all that Good Shepherd Catholic Regional School and the Greater Woonsocket Catholic Regional School System has to offer your child and his/her family.

Thank you for your continued support of Catholic Education. Do not hesitate to call me with any questions or concerns. I am just a phone call away.

God Bless,

Mrs. Jennifer DeOliveira



- Oct 3- Drama Club Informational Meeting 5:30pm (cafeteria)  
Oct 4- Track Meet at Slater Park @5pm  
Oct 6- Boys Gr. 7 & 8 Basketball Practice  
Oct 9- NO SCHOOL—Columbus Day  
Oct 9- Good Shepherd Band in Autumnfest Parade  
Oct 11- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Meeting 5:30pm (Computer Room)  
Oct 11- PTO meeting 6:30pm (Library)  
Oct 13- Progress Reports Issued  
Oct 13- Living Rosary @1pm (School Field)  
Oct 14- Used Uniform Sale 8am-10am (School Cafeteria)  
Oct 16- Teacher Professional Day---NO SCHOOL  
Oct 17-20 Scholastic BOOK FAIR week for students during 10:15am break  
Oct 18- JEANS DAY (Proceeds Benefit Prolife Billboard Project)  
Oct 18- PTO Family BINGO 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.  
Oct 20- Signed Progress Reports due  
Oct 21- GWCRS Craft Fair from 9am-3pm (School Gym)  
Oct 25- Msgr. Gadoury Second Graders visit 9:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.  
Oct 25- Pumpkin Decorating Contest  
Oct 25- Craft Club Begins from 2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Oct 26- Field Trip—Gr. 5 & 6 to PPAC 8:45am-11:45am  
Oct 27- Prayer Service by Grade 3 @ 8:30 a.m.
- Nov 1-21- Feinstein Thanksgiving Food Drive  
Nov 1 All Saints Day Mass @9:30am  
Nov 7- Internet Safety Parents Night @ St. Philip's School  
Nov 10- Veterans Day (No School)  
Nov 15- Teacher Professional Day—NO SCHOOL  
Nov 23-24 Thanksgiving Break (No School)

**SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT**

*At Good Shepherd Catholic School we strive to follow in Jesus' Footsteps by being living examples of his love. We respond to Jesus' calling by putting our faith into action through our studies and after-school activities. With each other's support, we deepen our faith and knowledge to one day become well-rounded active members of the community.*