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Next Week at GSFS

Tuesday, September 9

7:00pm
7th Grade Parent Costa Rica Meeting
Armat Building Auditorium

Wednesday, September 10

8:30am
Meeting for Worship
Green Street Meetinghouse

Thursday, September 11

Deadline for Online Ticket Sales for the Parents Association Fundraiser: Camden Riversharks Game

8:30am
Middle School Trip

Family Picnic and Camden Riversharks Game Next Week!

We look forward to seeing students, parents, teachers, alumni, and friends at these events next week:

**Back to School Family Picnic
Friday, September 12
5:30pm to 7:30pm**

Organizers Jill Gurvey and Gretchen Trefny are looking for volunteers to assist in making this a great event! **If you are interested in helping in any of the following ways, [please contact Jill](#):**

- Setting up (beginning at 4:00pm - students in Grades 4 and up can also help);
- Grilling (half hour shifts beginning at 5:30pm);
- Monitoring the food tables (half hour shifts beginning at 5:30pm);
- Bring out desserts from the kitchen (from 6:15pm to 6:45pm);
- Cleaning up the food table and bringing dishes to the collection table for owner pick-up (from 7:00pm to 7:30pm);
- and cleaning up tables and chairs (beginning at 7:30pm - students in Grades 4 and up can also help).

**Camden Riversharks Fundraiser
Saturday, September 13
5:35pm**

Ticket sales end on Thursday, September 11 so [order yours today](#) using code GSPA14. This code will also give you the opportunity to buy discounted food vouchers online. \$5 from each ticket purchased using the code will go towards [the PA](#).



Friday, September 12

8:30am
All School Assembly
Green Street Meetinghouse

5:30pm
Parents Association Family
Picnic
GSFS Lower Playground

Saturday, September 13

5:35pm
Parents Association
Fundraiser: Camden
Riversharks Game
Campbell Field
Camden, NJ

Keep Connected



Become a Room Parent This Year!



Room Parents are a vital link between home and school at Greene Street Friends. Being a Room Parent is also a great way to get to know the other families in your child's class!

Said Ali Wojtkowiak, this year's Room Parent for Lois' Kindergarten class, "Why did I become a Room Parent? I wanted to get involved. I wanted to meet the families I was going to spend the next 9 years with here at GSFS. And I enjoy coordinating and planning events or activities personally, so it seemed like a good fit for me. I enjoyed the experience, so I volunteered again for the role this year."

Read more about the roles and responsibilities of a Room Parent [here](#). More than one person can sign up per class. If you are interested or have any additional questions, [please contact Jacqui Rick](#), Room Parent Coordinator and mother of Sophia in 2nd grade and Charlotte in Pre-K.

If you are looking for other ways to volunteer at GSFS this year, please fill out our [Parent Volunteer Form](#). Many hands make light work and we need yours! We have many opportunities for parents to get involved, including helping at special events, leading tours for prospective parents, assisting in the library or with theater productions, and providing baked goods.

Grandparents and Mentors Day 2014

Grandparents and Mentors Day is a special morning program during which students host their grandparents and mentors in their classrooms. Extended family is a large part of Greene Street Friends and we hope for another year of incredible turn-out and enthusiasm.



This year's festivities will take place in two parts:

- [Thursday, November 6:](#) Pre-K and Kindergarten
- [Friday, November 7:](#) Grades 1-8

Please note the switch in the order of Grandparents

and Mentors Day from last year - the pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten visitors will be welcomed first on Thursday, followed by Grades 1-8 visitors on Friday. If you have children in pre-Kindergarten or Kindergarten and an older grade, we hope that their Grandparents and Mentors will attend both days!

In the coming weeks, GSFS will send an invitation to Grandparents and Mentors - and we want to reach your child's! Please fill out [this form](#) or download a hard copy [here](#) so that we can include your family's loved ones.

If you have any questions about Grandparents and Mentors Day, please contact [Emily Harmar](#).

GSFS is on AmazonSmile!

Give back to GSFS with every purchase when you shop on Amazon! Visit smile.amazon.com and choose Greene Street Friends as your preferred organization. You don't even need to create a new Amazon account.

You should see this message on the upper left-hand side of your AmazonSmile home screen:



When you shop, Greene Street Friends will receive 0.5% of most purchases.

You can check to see if your items qualify when you add them to your cart (as shown to the right). If you have any questions, please contact GSFS Development Associate [Ilana Goldfus](#).

In addition to AmazonSmile, there are other easy ways to support our school:

A screenshot of an Amazon product page. It shows 'Buy New' for \$9.75, with a quantity of 1. The list price is \$16.99, and the user saves \$7.24 (43%). It also indicates 'FREE Shipping on orders over \$35.', 'In Stock', and 'Ships from and sold by Amazon.com.' There is a checkbox for 'Yes, I want FREE Two-Day Shipping with Amazon Prime' and a yellow 'Add to Cart' button.

Box Tops for Education

All it takes is a pair of scissors! We have a jar to collect Box Tops for Education in the Lower School Lounge and one outside Kiri's office in the lobby of the Armat Street Building. Every Box Top is worth 10 cents. Thanks to our parents' support, last year we raised almost \$200!

Electronic Recycling

Do you have old printer cartridges and cell phones lying around? Bring them to GSFS and we will recycle them for you. There is a box for electronic recycling in the Armat Street Building lobby (next to the Box Tops for Education container).

Introducing...Pops!

There's a new music group at GSFS this year: Pops! With a focus on Pop and Broadway music, Pops will be open to all Middle School students. Rehearsals will be every Tuesday during lunch/recess. In addition to singers, there will be opportunities for instrument-playing students to accompany on piano, guitar, or drums.

The Middle School Chorus and the Quaker Notes, Greene Street Friends' a capella ensemble, will also continue this year. All three groups will begin practice next week.



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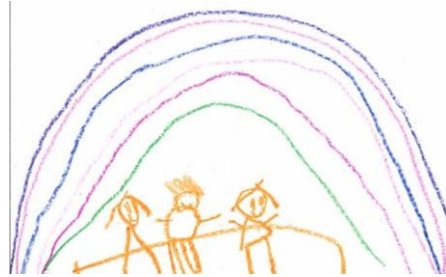
Word of the Month: Meeting for Worship



"What does Meeting for Worship look like?" by Johanna '22

Every month, our students reflect on a word or phrase - the term of September is Meeting for Worship. All students in Grades 1-8 come together every Wednesday at 8:30am in the Green Street Meetinghouse. In April, the Kindergarten classes will also join this weekly tradition, sitting with their 8th grade partners.

After this week's Meeting for Worship, the first grade reflected on their experiences. They answered questions including "What does Meeting for Worship look like?" and "How does it feel to be in Meeting for Worship?"



"How It Feels to Be in Meeting for Worship" by Sophia '22

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Visiting Campus? Don't Forget to Sign In at Hargroves House!

We love to have visitors to campus and you are always welcome, but please remember that when you are visiting campus during school hours (8:00am to 3:00pm), you should always stop by Hargroves House to sign in and get a visitor's pass. This helps the School account for everyone on campus in case of emergency and ensure our students' safety.



You can also deliver forgotten lunches, books, or uniforms at Hargroves House. We will deliver them to your student for you.

Hargroves House is located at 61 West School House Lane. It is where the Admissions and Business Offices are located.

Drop-Off for Before School Care

Before School Care begins at 7:30am every morning on the lower playground. This is a free service offered for students of all ages.

As with all transitions at GSFS, drop off must be adult-to-adult. Take a moment to stop by the playground and say hello to Bethann DiGiovanni and Emily Hamar, who are in charge of Before School Care this year. In order to ensure the supervision and safety of your child, please do not drop any students off before 7:30am.



Bethann DiGiovanni (left) will be at Before School Care on Tuesdays and Thursdays; Emily Hamar (right) will be there on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Say hello when dropping off your child!

