

This is our weekly newsletter for the 2025–2026 school year. Tune in each week for upcoming events or communications.

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Welcome to Tuesday Newsday!

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- 3/19:** Track Parent Meeting | 6:30 p.m.
 - 3/25:** Silver Maple returns to Prairie Winds
 - 3/26:** Dogwood returns to Prairie Winds
 - 3/26:** Montessori Works! Night
 - 4/3:** No School – Good Friday
 - 4/6–4/10:** No School – Spring Break
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HAPPY Birthday

Tuesday, March 17 — Caroline Matthys (Redbud)
Thursday, March 19 — Isla Howland (Dogwood)
Thursday, March 19 — Enid Keller (Dogwood)
Thursday, March 19 — Bill Berg (Redbud)
Thursday, March 19 — Dorothy Duffy (Blue Beech)
Saturday, March 21 — Charlotte Statz (Dogwood)
Sunday, March 22 — Fabrice Koepfli (Cedar)
Monday, March 23 — Teresa Navarro (Blue Beech)
Monday, March 23 — Charlie Owens (River Birch)

Montessori Works! Night 3/26

Thursday, March 26
6:00–7:30 p.m.

Next Thursday is our final **Parent Education Night** of the year—this one is a GSMS favorite.

Montessori Works Night is a **family event** where the **children are the presenters**. All students will present materials they have been working on this year, and parents have the opportunity to observe works at all levels. Siblings who attend other schools are welcome, too.

Parents and Primary students should gather in the **Sanctuary** to start, while students in LE, UE, and JH should report directly to their classrooms upon arrival at 6:00 p.m.

We look forward to hosting you for this special evening!

Track Deadline & Parent Meeting Thursday

Last call: All Upper EI and Junior High students are invited to run track with Head Coach Rick Johnson. **Today, Tuesday, March 17, is the last day to sign up!**

Sign Up for Track

If applicable, please return your completed [physical form](#) by **Tuesday, March 24**. You only need an updated physical if you do not have one on file with GSMS for your child.
— Or — The last physical on file for your child was before May 15, 2025.



Track Parent Meeting

Date: Thursday, March 19

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Zoom Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82383387646?pwd=1F69aFweN2qS3jolws7uZebkXkzEiF.1>

Meeting ID: 823 8338 7646

Passcode: u9xyER

Track Schedule

Dates: March 24–May 22*

Weekly Schedule: Practice 3 days/week

- Tuesday: 5:45–6:45 Holy Cross College Track (same as last year)
- Thursday: 5:45–6:45 at Holy Cross College Track
- Friday: Immediately after dismissal, 3:00–4 at GSMS

*No practice during Spring Break, April 6–10, or on Good Friday, April 3.

Meet Schedule

- 3 to 4 meets will be scheduled on Wednesdays between April 22 and May 13.

Sport Fee

- A **\$65 sport fee** for each child will be added to the next invoice on your Blackbaud billing account. Please contact Meredith at manatolios@gsms.org if

financial assistance is needed.

We actively consult with the school nurse on health and safety protocols to have in place.

Go Rams! 🐏

Coach Rick Johnson

“There is no failure in running or in life as long as you keep moving.” - Amby Burfoot

Farm Corner

Mother's Day Flower Sale

Pre-Order Flats by THIS FRIDAY, March 20

Support the microeconomy work of our Junior High students and pre-order **50-count bulk flower flats** for your garden, landscaping, or as a gift formom!

 Get your orders in—**Pre-ordering ends Friday, March 20.**

 Pickup will be on **Friday, May 8**, at Good Shepherd, just in time for Mother's Day.

 **\$20 each**

Varieties Available:

- Giant Zinnia (mixed colors)
- Bicolor Marigolds Dwarf (10")
- Bicolor Marigolds Tall (18-24")
- Dahlias (mixed colors)
- Snapdragons (mixed colors)

Pre-Order Your Flower Flats

JH Mother's Day Flower Sale 🌸 \$20/flat 🌸 Pick up 5/8 🌸

				
Zinnias Mixed Color	Bicolor Marigolds Dwarf 10"	Bicolor Marigolds Tall 18-24"	Dahlias Mixed Color	Snapdragons Mixed Color

A limited number of flats will also be available at the Junior High **Regenerative Agriculture** presentations on the **morning of Wednesday, May 20.**

CSA Memberships Available

Our community garden program registration is open (CSA). We will have limited memberships that include lots of fresh, nutritious produce for your family. Check it out: <https://www.gsms.org/farming-the-city/>.

Come grow with us in 2026!

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Farm Manager & Regenerative Agriculture Education Specialist

Hot Lunch

Next Week's Menu

Monday 3/23 — Pizza Pie
 Tuesday 3/24 — Bill's Bolognese
 Wednesday 3/25 — Spaghetti Taco
 Thursday 3/26 — Goi Go
 Friday 3/27 — Baked Potato Bar



Order Today!

IN THE COMMUNITY

Engineering Explorers Series @CMSB

Join the Children's Museum of South Bend and students from the Notre Dame College of Engineering for hands-on activities on **Fridays, March 20, and April 17, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.** Geared towards kids **ages 8 to 13.** Space is limited. Sign up via QR codes below. Click the image to view the full flyer.



Build, Tinker, Explore! Come be an engineering explorer!
Join the South Bend Children's Museum as Notre Dame College of Engineering students bring hands-on activities/demos for kids ages 8 to 13. Spots are limited, and each child must be accompanied by a chaperone/adult.

Sign up for one of the dates using the QR code below!



March 20th, 4:30-5:30 pm
Society of Latino Engineers & Scientists & Design, Build, Fly!



April 17th, 4:30-5:30 pm
American Society of Civil Engineers, Chi Epsilon, & National Society of Black Engineers!



Questions? Reach out at childrensmuseumsb@gmail.com

South Bend Code School – AI & Tech Camp

This June, [South Bend Code School](#) will host an intentionally designed [AI & Tech Summer Camp](#) for students in grades 2–8. The program is built for students who are curious about technology and ready to explore how tools like coding and artificial intelligence are shaping the future.

Rather than a typical tech camp, the experience is designed to allow students to experiment, collaborate, and build real projects while learning the principles of responsible AI use and digital leadership.

During the week, students will:

- Explore AI safety and responsible technology use
- Build foundational coding and AI skills
- Design and create their own games and tech projects
- Work through collaborative design challenges
- Receive small-group mentorship and individualized guidance

Enrollment is intentionally limited to keep groups small and interactive.

Camp Details

- Grades: 2–8 (students grouped by grade level)
- Dates: June 15–18, 2022
- Time: Monday–Thursday | 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- Location: South Bend Tech Resource Center: 1165 Franklin St., Suite 100
South Bend, IN 46601



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To submit an item for this e-newsletter, email tuesdaynewsday@gsms.org by Monday mornings at 8:00 a.m.



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