

# GCS Eagle Update



12/05/2022



- ✓ **Dec. 5-9** Scholastic Book Fair at school; **online fair Dec. 5-18**
- ✓ **Dec. 10, 9-11 a.m.** Breakfast with Santa. [Click here for details.](#)
- ✓ **Dec. 14** Early dismissal 1:30; teacher meeting. **No Champions**
- ✓ **Dec. 14** Christmas Pageant PK3 and PK4 @9:30 am in church
- ✓ **Dec. 14** Christmas Pageant Grades K and 1 @11:30 am in church
- ✓ **Dec. 14** Christmas Pageant grades 2-4 @6:30 pm in church **14 is corrected date**
- ✓ **Dec. 16** Bingo Party reward for top Fundraiser sellers
- ✓ **Dec. 17** Sneakerella Dinner & Ball Gr. 3-8. [Click here for details.](#) Host- St.Pius Youth Ministry
- ✓ **Dec. 20** PK gingerbread house STEM activity @9:30 in cafeteria
- ✓ **Dec. 20** Last school day before holiday; dismissal at 11 am **No Champions**
- ✓ **Dec. 21 through Jan. 3** School is closed for the Christmas holiday
- ✓ **Jan. 4** Classes resume

[Click here for the full school year calendar.](#)



## Hope in the Lord!

We hope because when Jesus comes into our lives everything will be changed.  
So let us pray to be ready for new things!



## Scholastic Book Fair Dec. 5-9 in Learning Commons Dec. 5-18 Online

Our Book Fair is ready to open its' doors on Monday! Take a look inside our Learning Commons--[video tour](#).

- Visit our [homepage](#) for details!
- Set up your child's [eWallet](#) for shopping at school! Make a [wishlist](#)!
- Shop for Christmas gifts & for your child's classroom library!

Our [online book fair](#) is from **December 5th-18th** and your order ships to your home. Book only orders over \$25 ship FREE!

**Book Fair Volunteers** Click here: [SignUpGenius](#) if you can help at the event.

Volunteers must already be an approved volunteer with the school before signing up. This requires a fingerprint background check and a Protecting God's Children session.



## Mission in Action – Serve Our Community

Guardian Catholic is participating in the U. S. Marine Corps **Toys for Tots** program. We are accepting donations of new, unwrapped toy donations **through Friday, Dec. 9.**

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## Christmas Pageant

Join us as we celebrate the Birth of Jesus! Children should dress up in Christmas clothes or in their Sunday best. All performances are in church and will start promptly at the designated time. Performances are shorter so we can accommodate separate performances for various grade levels. Being on time is the best way to be sure you see the whole program.



- **PK3-PK4** Wednesday, Dec. 14 @ 9:30 am in Church
- **K-1** Wednesday, Dec. 14 @ 11:30 am in Church
- **Grades 2-4** Thursday, **Dec.14** @ 6:30 pm in Church **(date change)**

## Scholarship Checks – Approve Payment

The next distribution payments for the Florida Tax Credit Scholarships (Step Up for Students and Family Empowerment) are being processed. Parents, watch your email and approve your student's payment right away if you haven't already.

## Morning Drop Off

Please drop children off in the carline or at white gate. Staff members and safety patrol walk children through gate to the cafeteria. Parents are asked to not enter the courtyard or cafeteria.

## Eagles Soccer – All Games Start at 4:00 pm

- Dec. 6 Guardian vs. Sacred Heart @ St. Patrick's (parents transport)
- Dec. 12 Guardian vs. San Jose @ San Jose (bus provided)
- Dec. 13 Guardian vs. Holy Family @ Holy Family (bus provided)



# Moving Forward



Lt Col. Alton Yates and author Chris Barton spoke to students in grades 4-6 about Barton's new children's book *Moving Forward: From Space-Age Rides to Civil Rights Sit-Ins with Airman Alton Yates*. The students read and discussed this book in class and had the unique opportunity to ask Mr. Yates about his incredible life story. Mr. Yates spoke about his service in the US Air Force, during which he volunteered for dangerous space-age experiments. After

risking his life for his country in the name of scientific progress, Alton returned home to Jacksonville, Florida, and became involved in the NAACP Youth Council and helped organize 1960's Civil Rights era sit-ins that culminated in the infamous Ax Handle Saturday. Mr. Yates shared these encouraging words of hope with the students: "To get to know people who are not like you in a meaningful way is one of the most beautiful experiences one can have in this life. I want us to feel the joy and excitement of what it is like to be one family."

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**Students interviewed Lt. Col. Alton Yates and author Chris Barton. Both men autographed books for the classrooms. The book is available on Amazon. An inspiring story and a great gift idea!**

**Lost & Found items not claimed by Dec. 20 will be given to Goodwill during holiday.**

**Guardian Catholic COVID-19 Report Line 904-705-3827**

**If your child tests positive, keep your child home – and call the report line to let us know**

### *Eagles soar to success!*

#### **GUIDELINES FOR SUCCESS**

*Eagles...*

- Self-Motivated
- Optimistic
- Act Responsibly
- Respect God, self, and others
- ...to Success*



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