

Weekly Newsletter

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 **Congratulations to our Knights of the week.** 

These students were chosen by their teachers for exemplary behavior, great character, and hard work. They go over and beyond to help other students acclimate to the expectations of Gray Stone and create an atmosphere of friendship, respect, and acceptance. I am so proud of these students for showing others the "Knight Way!"



6th grade
Elliot Sharpe



7th grade
Jayden Sifford



8th grade
Patterson Herlocker

👉 WIN UPDATE- SHOUT OUT!!!! 👈

This week we began our "What I Need" time on Thursday and Friday. I would like to thank the entire Middle School Staff and Kristen Gray for organizing thousands of data points for academic enrichment and arranging student interest forms for our Friday Club Win time. This staff never ceases to amaze me with their ongoing dedication and determination to give our middle school students every opportunity to shine! I am astounded at how well our students participated and made every effort to work towards excellence during this process. Gray Stone is a place for high standards and you can believe me when I tell you that our students are rising to the occasion! Let's keep up the good work.

Next Week's Lunch Menu

Monday Pasta (Meat or Alfredo Sauce), Garlic Bread, Salad Bar

Tuesday BBQ Chicken, Green Beans, Corn, Salad Bar

Wednesday Beef or Chicken Tacos, Black Beans, Rice, Salad Bar

Thursday Hamburger Bar, Potato Salad, Salad Bar

Friday Pizza (Cheese or Pepperoni)

American History Essay Contest

Here is a great opportunity for your child to celebrate American History through writing. Our ELA and Social Studies teachers will review this information in their classes. Here is a brief description.

This contest was established to encourage young people to think creatively about our nation's great history and learn about history in a new light. Each academic year, a unique essay topic is chosen and guidelines are made available.

- The contest is open to all students in grades 5-8.
 - Essays are judged for historical accuracy, adherence to topic, organization of materials, interest, originality, spelling, grammar, punctuation and neatness.
 - Additional rules and guidelines can be found by contacting your local DAR chapter.
- A winner will be selected from each of the four grades to advance to the state level. The state winner from each grade will advance to the divisional level. The divisional winners will advance to the national level where the winners are announced. All National winners will receive a certificate, medal and a monetary reward.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Upcoming Events:

10/6/23- GSDS Homecoming

This is a great community event. The soccer game will be at Pfeiffer's field. Concessions and Spirit wear will be sold. Volunteers are needed.

Homecoming/Knightfest

Stay tuned for more updates and information about Homecoming/Knightfest festivities and how to secure your t-shirt. Let's make this Homecoming/Knightfest an unforgettable event together!

10/13/23- TEACHER WORKDAY 🏠

10/19/23- Picture Day 📷

Pictures for grades 9-11 and Middle School students will be **Thursday, October 19**.

The make-up day will be **Friday, November 17**.

Remember, **don't wear green** that day as it interferes with the background.

10/27/23- Knight Under the Stars

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Your Gray Stone Lance would like to invite Gray Stone Students, families, faculty, and friends to “Knights under Stars.”

Friday October 27th from 6:00 to 8:30pm

- We will begin at 6:00pm and continue until 6:45pm with “Trunk or Treating” in the parking area between the middle and high school. This will be hosted by the Lance with the support of our high school clubs, teams, and students. We encourage middle school students, family siblings, friends, and children to dress up in your best Halloween costume and enjoy!
- Parking for the event will be in the large lot behind the high school and the high school lot beside the middle school. No parking please in the drop-off line or any area at the front of the school unless handicap needs to be accessed. We are wanting those areas to remain safe.
- We will have food trucks available within the administration parking area at the front of the school for you to purchase dinner options for your family. We have some great options available! There will also be dessert options on site to satisfy your sweet tooth!
- The Lance will have drinks for sale and concession snacks near the soccer field.
- At 7:00pm we will begin showing “Hocus Pocus” on the Soccer field for a fun fall movie night!
- Please remember to bring your chairs or blankets to enjoy the movies with family and friends on the soccer field.
- Food trucks and snacks will remain open the entire movie for your enjoyment.
- If you have any additional questions, please contact the Gray Stone Lance at graystonelance@gmail.com.
- Please feel free to invite friends or family from the community to come out and

experience what makes Gray Stone Day school an amazing educational opportunity for students and their families!

Upcoming Athletic Events

		GRAY STONE DAY SCHOOL			
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HIGH SCHOOL					location
Mon	9/18/23	away	G.Tennis at Mount Pleasant	4:00	
Mon	9/18/23	away	B.Soccer at North Stanly	6:00	
Tues	9/19/23	away	XC at Albemarle	4:30	
Tues	9/19/23	away	Volleyball at South Stanly	4:30/6:00	
Wed	9/20/23	home	G.Tennis v. North Stanly	4:00	Chuck Morehead Park
Wed	9/20/23	home	G.Golf v. Mount Pleasant	3:30	Red Bridge GC
Wed	9/20/23	home	B.Soccer v. Union Academy	4:30	
Wed	9/20/23	home	Volleyball v. Union Academy	4:30/6:00	
Thurs	9/21/23	away	G.Golf at Southwestern Randolph	3:30	Tot Hill Farm
Fri	9/22/23	home	G.Tennis v. Union Academy	4:00	Chuck Morehead Park
Sat	9/23/23	away	XC at Hare & Hound	tbd	McAlpine Park
MIDDLE SCHOOL					
Mon	9/18/23	away	MS XC at Community Charter	4:30	
Mon	9/18/23	home	MS Volleyball v. Arborbrook	4:30/6:00	
Tues	9/19/23	away	MS B.Soccer at Community Charter	4:30	
Wed	9/20/23		no events		
Thurs	9/21/23	home	MS Tennis v. Queens Grant	4:00	Chuck Morehead Park
Thurs	9/21/23	home	MS B.Soccer v. Faith Academy	5:30	
Thurs	9/21/23	home	MS XC v. CBC opponents	4:30	Pfeiffer
Athletic Director: swolfe@graystoneday.org					
DIGITAL Tickets ONLY: tickets.graystoneday.org OR GoFan.co					
Livestream: NFHS Network. (VB, SOC, BK)					

Spirit Wall

Don't forget to reserve our Spirit Wall for upcoming special occasions! Renting the wall will allow you to display school spirit, celebrate your child's birthday, or post staff/student appreciation. Please read the guidelines highlighted below before making your reservation online.

Reservations will be available on a first come, first served basis.

Procedures for Reserving the Wall

Gray Stone Day School has a Spirit Wall that is intended for students and parents to have a place to acknowledge a student's birthday or celebrate a school accomplishment.

The following rules shall apply:

1. The Spirit Wall may be reserved for 2 consecutive calendar days for \$10. Reservations & payment should be made online at graystoneday.org > Parents.
2. Gray Stone reserves the right to block dates for school use.
3. Families must furnish their own labor, paint and supplies. Only the Spirit Wall may be painted. Please take care not to damage the surrounding area, and pick up all trash after painting. Please be kind to our environment and recycle your empty cans.
4. NO profane words, symbols or any derogatory or offensive messages will be permitted on the Spirit Wall. No political or religious messages may be painted on the Spirit Wall. Gray Stone reserves the right to remove any content, message, or language from the Spirit Wall as deemed inappropriate or controversial at the sole discretion of the Gray Stone Day School Administration.
5. The family painting the wall assumes liability for any individual or member of the group who may be injured, or who may incur clothing or other personal property damage.

The Gray Stone Day School Spirit Wall is governed by the Honor Code, with the hopes that everyone will respect these guidelines.