LOWER SCHOOL NEWS

Mead Hall Episcopal School

Autumn is here!

I love everything about this season - the temperature drops below 80, the sky is royal blue, and the multicolored leaves start floating to the ground. Autumn just shouts, "Come outside and play!" Doesn't it?

It makes me happy to see that our students are getting outside and enjoying cooler autumn temperatures on the playground, taking field trips around campus to collect leaves, and studying biotic and abiotic factors in the environment.

The arrival of autumn also brings with it some wonderful annual activities at school including: the Scholastic Book Fair, Mead Hall Sunday, Spooky to Be Hungry, the Fall Festival, and, of course, the "Great Pumpkins" display along with our first classroom parties!

We have much to enjoy at Mead Hall this autumn, and we look forward to experiencing it all with the precious children we serve.

See you at school,

Joanne

UPCOMING DATES

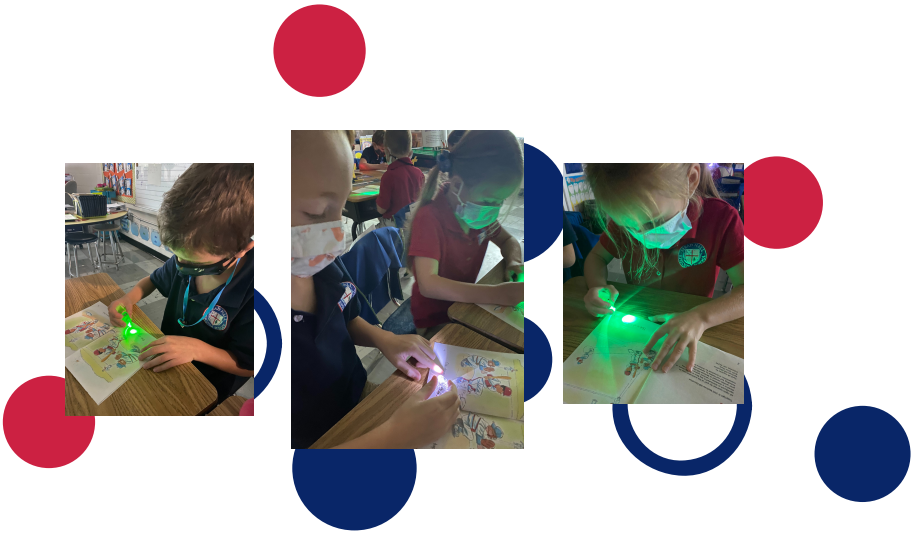
OCTOBER

1-31	STC Spooky to Be Hungry
4-10	Book Fair
10	Mead Hall Sunday
11	Dress Down Day (Schoolwide)
11	End of Quarter 1
15	Faculty In-service (No School for Students
18	Parent/Teacher Conf. & Digital Report Cards (No School for Students)
20	STC Campus Pictures (Teachers will Provide Details)
24	Schoolwide Fall Festival on APC
27	STC Campus Pictures (Teachers will Provide Details)
29	STC Halloween Parties/Dress Down
29	"Great Pumpkins" at Mead Hall

SPOOKY TO BE HUNGRY

Throughout the month of October, St. Thaddeus Campus students donate non-perishable food items for the Golden Harvest Food Bank's "Spooky to be Hungry" food drive. Students who bring a can or box of food will place the items in large barrels that will be delivered to the food bank at the end of the month. Donations are not required, but are a wonderful opportunity for children to learn about hunger in our community and to serve others by selecting and donating an item or items to the drive.

The items needed most include: nut butters, canned meats, canned vegetables, canned fruit, rice and pasta, cereal/oats, dried beans and jam/jelly. To learn more you can visit: goldenharvest.org

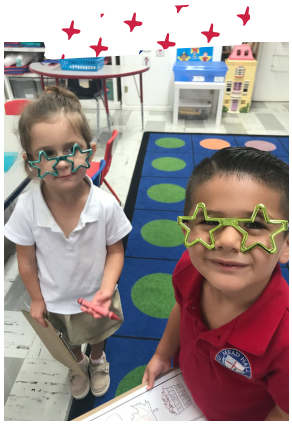


DRESS DOWN FOR HAITI

Last week Mead Hall families donated $2145.00 for those impacted by flood and earthquakes in Haiti! Thank you for your generosity. That is amazing!

SCHOOL-WIDE DRESS DOWN

In honor of Mead Hall Sunday, students can enjoy a dress down day on October 11. This week, teachers sent home a handout with all dress down days for the year. Please post that list on your refrigerator so that you know in advance when students can dress down and what they are and are not allowed to wear. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher or the main office.



MEAD HALL SUNDAY

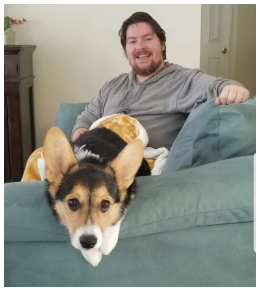
We want to welcome all STC families to attend services at St.Thaddeus Episcopal Church on Sunday, October 10 at the 9:00am or 11:15am services. All students who attend will have the opportunity to participate in singing a song with our music teacher Mrs. Matson.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY BOOK

Our September Birthday Book Club members include Emma Kleintop, Jack Parrott, Wrenn Clark, Jackson Waters, and Leighton Wyatt! These students enjoyed picking out a title from our new book selection in the library. After reading the title, they donated the book to our library for other students to enjoy! We thank these students for their generous donation!

Did You Know?

This week I have been meeting with each faculty member to discuss personal and professional goals for the year. I am so impressed with our St. Thaddeus team. Your children are known and loved by a group of professionals who are dedicated to providing an excellent education in a Christian environment. They want the very best for each student and give their utmost every day to make the classroom experience special.



Teacher Feature

Each week we will feature a different faculty or staff member in In the Loop. This week, we bring you our sacred studies teacher, Patrick Taylor.

Patrick Taylor is an ordained minister in the Church of the Nazarene. He joined Mead Hall in 2019. Mr. Taylor has a bachelor's degree in Religion from Trevecca Nazarene University and a Masters degree in Theological Studies from Nazarene Theological Seminary. Mr. Taylor served as a guest lecturer at his alma mater for ministerial courses in Nashville until he and his wife Carissa relocated to Aiken to pastor Aiken Ebenezer Church of the Nazarene. Besides theology, Mr. Taylor enjoys taking care of his cats and bonsai trees, practicing cello and chess, and enjoys reading and a variety of creative interests.

Please enjoy these photos from this fall at Mead Hall, with thanks to our school photographer, Larry Johnson.

Lower School Candid Photos