
On The Horizon at GSA

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Austin Water Tarrytown Project

Over the course of the last six months, you may have noticed construction around Tarrytown. Austin Water is currently implementing the **South Tarrytown Water and Wastewater Pipeline Renewal Project**, which is a part of an Austin Water program to replace and upgrade aging water lines.

We have been working closely with the City of Austin throughout this process, and we came to a verbal agreement with the contractors that **construction on Winsted Lane would be scheduled for the summer** in order to minimize the impact on school operations. However, we do want to make you aware that **the next project will be moving to Vista Lane next week, and work will continue there for about 3-4 weeks.**

Vista Lane is two blocks west of campus, and the disruption should be minimal. However, as

we prepare for all of our end-of-year events, we want to be sure that you were are aware of this project and that **parking on Vista Lane will not be an option.** [You can read more about the project here and sign up for updates here as well.](#)

We will continue to update GSA families as needed throughout the course of the next 30 months, which is the projected timeline for this project.

Read More About the Project Here

Uniforms: Info for Next Year AND Upcoming Swap

As we head into the last month of school, we wanted to share some reminders about our uniform policy. Whatever dress code policy a school may have, it must be (A) communicated clearly and (B) enforced consistently. At GSA, we strive to do our best in both of these areas. As always, we are asking for parents to partner with us to ensure the dress code supports our learning instead of distracting from it.

We want to share now the uniform code as it will appear in your Summer Packets and Student-Parent Handbook. Please review this policy carefully and make sure that any uniform shopping you do over the summer fits within the code [detailed here](#).



Additionally, we will be hosting a **"Clear the Closet" uniform swap on May 8 and 9 from 12:00 - 4:00 PM.** We have timed these to correspond with the Lower School Research Paper Conventions, so please drop off items on your way in, and then take items home with you on your way out! Please do not purchase any new uniforms without first taking a look at all the pieces in our Uniform Closet. Some items are even brand new and still have their tags on!



CTP Testing Next Week

The Comprehensive Testing Program (CTP) will be administered to students in 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 7th Grade on April 29 - May 3. The Sixth and Eighth Graders will take this test the following week, on May 6 - 10.

The CTP is a rigorous assessment for students covering reading, vocabulary, writing, and mathematics. The CTP helps us (educators) assess content specific, curriculum-based

performance alongside reasoning ability and conceptual knowledge so that we can adjust our curriculum and provide you with some additional information regarding your child's progress.

Please ensure that your child eats a healthy breakfast and that they arrive on time each day next week. We do not have opportunities for any make-up tests, so having every student here next week will give us the most complete data for us to use in assessing our curriculum.



Free Dress Day for LOWER SCHOOL on May 1st, 2024

This morning at Community Meeting, our "Heads of School for the Day" announced that we will have a **Lower School ONLY Free Dress Day** next Wednesday, May 1st, 2024.

Magical Me
inspired by the
Magical Realism of Frida Kahlo

GSA's 21st Annual Self-Portrait Show
Saturday May 4 & Sunday May 5, 2024 | 1-4 pm
2007 McCall Rd. ATX 78703

We Need Volunteers for Self-Portrait Show Next Week!

We need your help! **Our Self-Portrait Show is a week from tomorrow, and we are in dire need of volunteers.** We understand that we have so many requests and opportunities to help out, especially at the end of the school year. That said, if we cannot fill these spots, we will need to scale back portions of the Self-Portrait Show.

The most urgent need is for volunteers to work *during* the event itself. If you can help on one of these days, [please sign up!](#)

If you cannot help during the show, we still need people to donate refreshments to serve during the event. It has always been a GSA tradition to serve refreshments to the community as part of the Self-Portrait show, and we would like to continue that tradition if possible!

Sign Up to Volunteer Here

UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr. 29- May 3

CTP Test: 3rd-5th & 7th Grades

May 1

Lower School Free Dress Day

May 4-5

1:00-4:00pm

Self Portrait Show

May 8-9

Clear the Closet Uniform Swap

12:00-4:00pm

May 6-10

CTP Test: 6th & 8th Grades

May 15

Spring Concerts

1:00pm - Kinder & First Grades

2:00pm - Second & Third Grades

May 16

Spring Concert

1:15pm - Fourth & Fifth Grades

May 20

Field Day

May 23

Graduation

9:30-11:30am

Last Day of School

11:30 AM - Kinder

11:40 AM - 1st and 2nd

11:50 AM - 3rd, 4th, and 5th

12:00 PM - 6th, 7th, and 8th

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