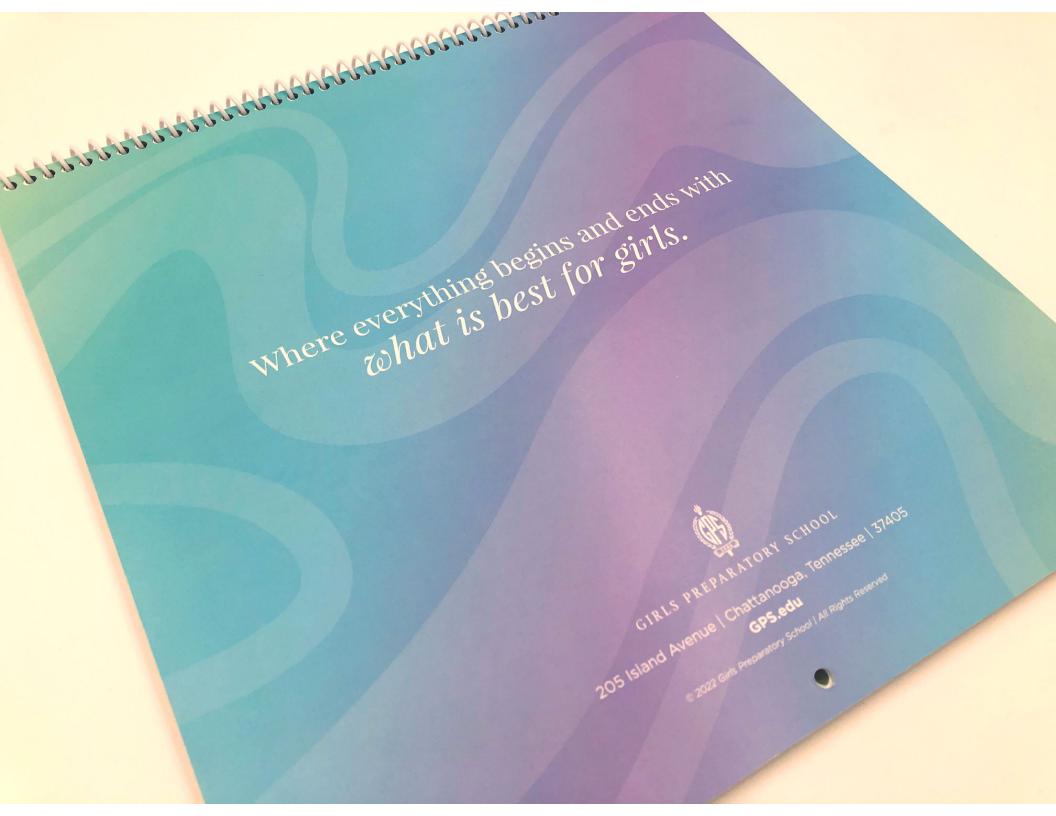






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2022 INTERACTIVE CALENDAR

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CAN YOU BELIEVE YOUR SCHOOL YEAR IS HALFWAY OVER ALREADY?!

TIME FLIES WHEN YOU'RE

We hope you've had an incredible year full of fun and adventure so far, and that you can enjoy some rest and relaxation before heading back to school in January.

The beginning of a new year is always a great time to get organized, and we want to help you keep track of all the exciting things you have coming up!



THIS YEAR I WI LL BE BE FIERCE.

-RACHEL EILENE, AUTHOR



With each new year, it's always nice to look back on the previous year and make mental notes. Are you proud of what you accomplished? Were you a good friend? Did you help your parents around the house? Did you try anything new? January is also a great time to set goals for the new year. Are there books you'd like to read or new foods you want to taste? Is there an activity you've always been interested in but a little nervous to try? **GIVE IT A SHOT THIS YEAR!**

Bonus!

Tear this page out at the end of the month and hang it on your wall to use as a mantra all year long!

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February is a big deal at GPS because it's when we have **WINTERIM**. You may have a winter break at your elementary school—this is kind of like that except we plan lots of activities together! In sixth grade, our students spend time exploring Chattanooga with fun adventures and activities all around town. They may create tessellations (tiles with geometric shapes) at a local pottery studio one day, dig for dinosaur bones the next, and visit a farm for yoga and hiking the next! In Upper School, students can even visit other countries!

SEE HOW MANY WORDS YOU CAN MAKE FROM THE LETTERS IN

WINTERIM

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GPS Fun Fact

In recent years, students have visited places as far away as Chile, Spain, and Rome during Winterim. Some adventurous girls have ridden horses at a dude ranch in Arizona or steered dog sleds across snowy fields in Minnesota. Even those who stay close to Chattanooga learn to knit, hike, bake, or balance a bank account during Winterim!

March at GPS means it's time for our **MIDDLE SCHOOL PLAY** and rehearsing for the April **UPPER SCHOOL MUSICAL!** Boys from McCallie come over after school for practice, which is fun. If you've ever performed in a theater production, you know how much work goes into putting a show together, but it's so worth it! There are roles for everyone—you can sing, act, dance, or even run the lights or help manage the cast and crew behind the scenes if being on stage isn't your thing.

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- 10. Makes everything brighter

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- 2. Put it all over your face
- 4. Who the actors want to entertain
- 6. The one at GPS has hundreds of seats
- 9. Be sure to hit all the right notes



You may have heard of **MAY DAY AT GPS**—it's one of our most popular traditions where seniors get dressed up, carry bouquets, and get introduced in front of friends and family on Smith Courtyard. It's SO much fun! But it's not only the seniors who have a blast that day—girls in every grade can participate in some way. Our sixth-grade students get to dance in the pre-pageant event and show off the skills and creativity they have developed throughout the year!

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COLOR IN THE MAY DAY BOUQUET!

Scan the below QR code to watch what makes May Day such a special day at GPS!

APRIL

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May is a special time for sports at GPS, since several state championships take place this month. Did you know there are **TWELVE DIFFERENT SPORTS** you can try in Middle School and **FIFTEEN** in Upper School at GPS? You can play a sport you've played in elementary school or try a new one! We always encourage you to step out of your comfort zone—after all, you may find a new favorite!

WE ARE THE BEST, WE ARE G.P.S!

Go Jean.

SHOW YOUR SCHOOL SPIRIT!



Hold a phone or tablet camera over this QR code and click the link to learn this cheer!



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1994 and first girls' lacrosse team in 2005! Since then, GPS teams have won numerous regional and state championship titles.

At GPS, we believe all girls are deserving of the title, and some of our biggest heroes are our graduates! **RECENT ALUMNAE** have been busy cleaning plastic from the oceans, inventing devices to help children with disabilities, writing books, and treating patients. One graduate even became the first female chief park ranger of Great Smoky Mountains National Park! If you need any proof that a GPS girl can do anything, look no further than your GPS sisters who have come before you!

GIRL POWER!

Unscramble the words below to show what these women are famous for!



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JUNE **WEDNESDAY**

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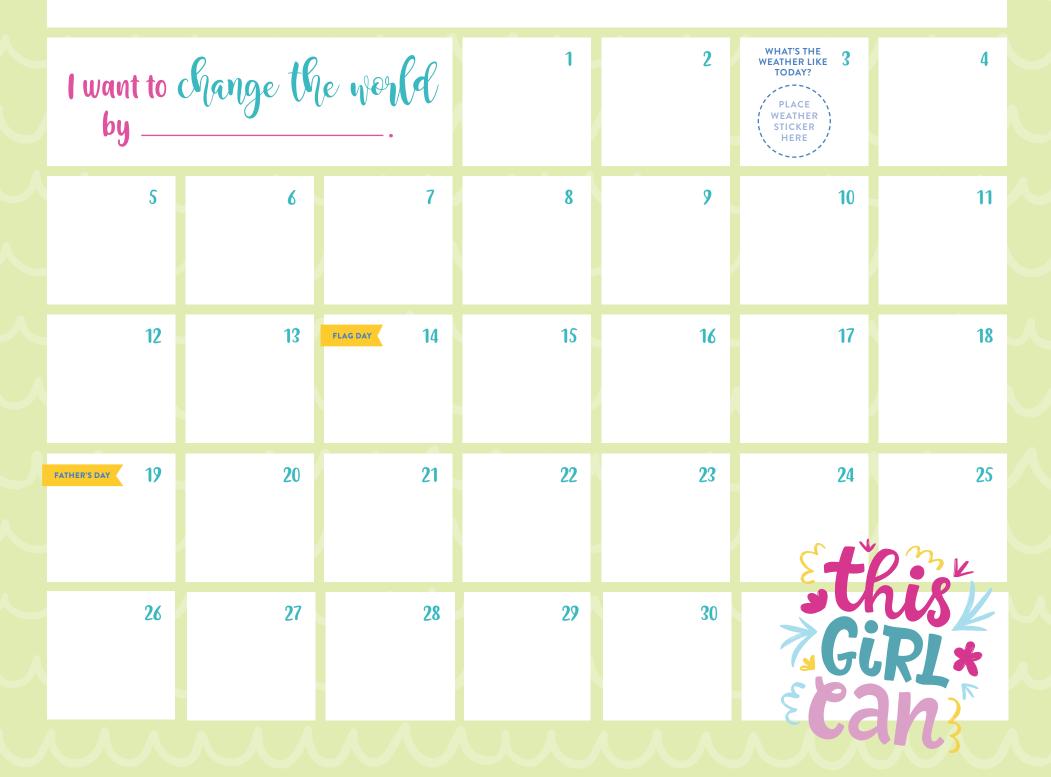
GPS Fun Fact

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Speaking of changing the world, you don't have to wait until you're a grownup to make a positive impact on the environment. A few years ago, two GPS Middle School students proposed that drinking straws should not be used in the dining hall because they are bad for the environment. They got up on stage during Chapel and presented slides that showed turtles and other marine life with plastic straws making them sick. Hundreds of their classmates signed the petition, and now we no longer use straws on campus!



Time for vacations, summer reading, back-to-school shopping, and more! At GPS, one of our favorite ways to celebrate summer is with summer camps. We offer many different options, depending on your interests—maybe there's a new sport you'd like to try or perhaps an art camp is right for you. Camps are a great way to try new things and meet new friends. Whatever you choose to do this summer, we hope you have **SO MUCH FUN!**

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Dance Theater Harry Potter Singing Violin Basketball Cheerleading Soccer American Girl Dolls Rowing



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YOU HAVE A BIG YEAR AHEAD—we know you'll do great! Right before school starts at GPS, our new sixth-graders experience the Cat-Rat reveal. Cat-Rat is a fun program where every sixth-grader gets paired up with a senior—it's kind of like having a big sister! At the reveal you'll spot your Cat because she'll be matching you. Sometimes they make matching T-shirts, headbands, or sunglasses, and other years it may be hats or even tutus!

HELP THESE CATS FIND THEIR RATS!

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Hold a phone or tablet camera over this QR code to experience all the excitement surrounding the first day of classes at GPS!



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It's officially September, which means cooler weather is right around the corner. (Hello, leggings and scarves!) September is a very special month at GPS because it's the month our school was founded WAY back in 1906! Each year we celebrate Founders Day in honor of three special women—Tommie Payne Duffy, Eula Lea Jarnagin, and Grace McCallie. As teachers, they knew how important it was to educate girls, so they put their heads together to launch our school. **THIS YEAR, GPS IS CELEBRATING 117 YEARS!**

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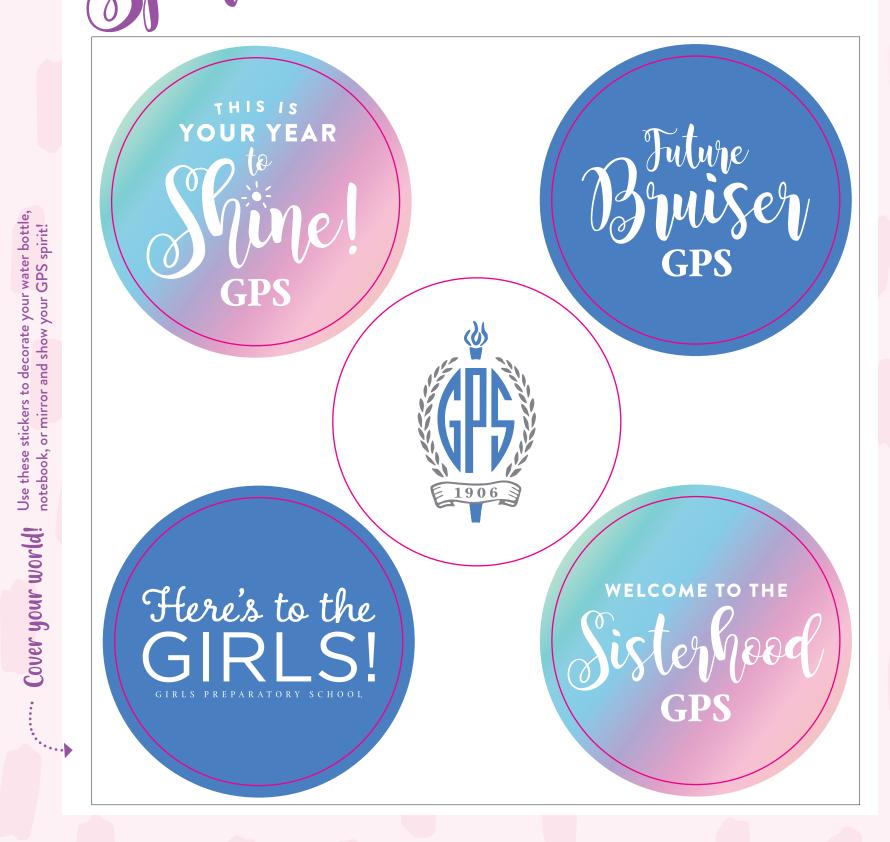
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Halloween is later this month—we bet you have an awesome costume picked out already. We dress up at GPS for Halloween, too! But that's not the only time we dress up. **THIS MONTH KICKS OFF WITH SPIRIT WEEK**, which is a whole WEEK of dressing up! Each day has a different theme like Decades Day, Holiday Day, Character Day, and more! Spirit Week is always fun because it's a way for us to show our support for our school and each other.



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STEM is a big deal at GPS because sometimes girls aren't expected to love STEM classes or pursue STEM-related careers when they grow up, but we think girls can do anything they want! We have a makerspace in our library where you can create things and work with different types of technology (think: 3D-printers, woodworking tools, drones, robots, and more). You can even record your own podcast or play games on our virtual reality headsets!

MAKE YOUR OWN GPS THINKING PUTTY!

Ingredient List:

4 oz. Elmers white glue 1/4 cup cornstarch 1/4 cup hot water 1/4 tsp. Borax 2-5 drops blue food coloring

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scan me!

Scan the QR code for a step-by-step instructional video!



It stands for SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATH.

NOVEMBER

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When I grow up, I want to be

DO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY HAVE ANY SPECIAL HOLIDAY TRADITIONS? At GPS, we celebrate all month. From peppermint cupcakes in the cafeteria to ugly sweater days, movies, and Cat-Rat cookies and hot cocoa, there is always something exciting to look forward to. Plus, some special holiday elves stop by to turn our campus into a true winter wonderland! We love providing our students some fun before sending them home for rest, relaxation, and time with family.

HOW I'LL SPEND MY WINTER VACATION



To be honest, I will probably spend my winter vacation staying in bed as long as I can! My favorite thing to wear while lounging at home are my _______. When I'm not catching up on my sleep,

my family knows I'll probably be ______ or _____

Every year we always eat ______ for a family meal, but if I was in charge, we would eat ______ and _____. FOOD FOOD FOOD FOOD _____. My favorite holiday movie is ______. The best scene is when ______.

While it's fun to be out of school, what I miss most when I'm not there is______ and my best friend______. I guess I'll be going back soon enough, and then I'll wish I was______ instead!

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My favorite holiday tradition is



Bonus! Tear this page out and hang it on your wall to use as a mantra all year long!





THERE'S A LOT TO LOOK FORWARD TO IN

MEETING NEW FRIENDS

Middle school is a time for you to branch out and meet new people! At GPS, the friends you make will become like sisters. Sometimes people think because we go to a girls' school there will be lots of drama or gossip, but it's actually the opposite! At a girls' school, we laugh and sing together, and we just get each other. We all support each other's dreams. Each day is just another opportunity to make memories with our besties!

TRYING NEW THINGS

Middle school is all about stepping out of your comfort zone and learning new things. You may even fail sometimes, and that's OK! We all do, but that makes us stronger. At GPS, you are encouraged to try anything you want. Whether it's a club, a sport, or an after school activity, there's nothing holding you back! Trying new things helps us learn what we like and what we don't like.

MAKING YOUR OWN DECISIONS

In elementary school, you are probably used to walking in line with your class, eating lunch at the same table, and sitting in assigned seats. At GPS, middle school provides more independence, and girls are encouraged to be themselves and to make their own decisions. Are you ready to choose your own clubs and activities? What about your lunch? Sandwich, salad, pizza—you decide! (Oh, and did we mention our famous chocolate chip cookies?!) You will even get to pick certain classes that interest you!

We look forward to getting to know you! VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT GPS, AT GPS.EDU.

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