ROARIN' INTO THE NEW YEAR

2026-2027

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT STARTING SCHOOL

COMMUNICATION

Communication between home and school is vital to your child's success. We use Edsby, our Learning Management System (LMS), as our primary communication platform.

Through Edsby, you can:

- Access your child's homeroom page for class information, announcements, and learning updates.
- Find resources and class information from specialist teachers, who may post on the homeroom page and/or maintain their own Edsby pages.
- Stay informed about classroom activities, upcoming events, and important plans.

To ensure you don't miss updates, we recommend turning on Edsby notifications so you receive alerts whenever new information is posted or changes are made to your child's classroom page.

Every week during the school year, a **LS Newsletter** is posted on your Edsby main feed and on our website. It is also linked in the SGS email update that the school sends to all families at the beginning of each week. For optimum home-school communication, it is important to read both the LS Newsletter and the teachers' Edsby pages.

BACK TO SCHOOL FORMS AND DOCUMENTS

All necessary forms to fill out are found on FinalForms. Information about FinalForms is included in your Back to School Information. All form submissions are due on **August 7th**. If you are unable to access them, please contact tech.support@sgs.org.

Informational Documents are available here on our website (the password is inspiring). The page is titled Back to School Documents.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Please review the **2026-27 Calendar** and make note of holidays, conferences, teacher in-service days, and spring break.

SCHOOL HOURS

School Hours
The Lower School day is 8:25 a.m.–3:10 p.m. School buses depart at 3:20 p.m.

Morning Arrival
All exterior doors remain locked during the school day. Students may enter through the main entrance between 8:00 and 8:30 a.m.

- Students arriving before 8:00 a.m. must remain with a parent or guardian until the doors open. Please do not leave children unattended.
- Students arriving between 8:00 and 8:15 a.m. will be supervised in the Lower School Library until classrooms open.
- Classroom doors open at 8:15 a.m. Students should be in their classrooms by this time to ensure a prompt 8:25 a.m. start.
- Students arriving after 8:25 a.m. will be marked tardy.

AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT CLUBS

Our After School Enrichment (ASE) program offers a variety of fun and enriching clubs. Most clubs end at 4:30 p.m., with a limited number running until 5:15 p.m.

For club schedules, registration information, program updates, and policies, please refer to the After School Enrichment (ASE) Catalog on the Parent Portal.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, August 15 | 9:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
New Family Canoe/Kayak Float
This event is by invitation for new families. Please contact tami.peplinski@sgs.org with any questions.

Tuesday, August 25 | 3:00–4:00 p.m.
K–5 Meet & Greet
Meet your teachers, visit classrooms, and drop off school supplies before the first day of school.

Tuesday, August 25 | 4:00–4:30 p.m.
Lower School Cross Country Parent Meeting
Parents and students in grades 2–5 interested in Cross Country are invited to attend this meeting in the Dragons Den.

Wednesday, August 26 | 8:25 a.m.–3:10 p.m.
First Day of Lower School
Classroom doors open at 8:15 a.m. Classes begin promptly at 8:25 a.m.

Wednesday, August 26 | 8:00–9:00 a.m.
Parent Coffee
Join the Parent Association (PA) for coffee outside the main gym after morning drop-off.

Friday, August 28 | 8:35–9:00 a.m.
Friday Assembly
Join us for our first Friday Assembly of the school year in the Dragons Den (the basement of Metters Gym).

Friday, August 28 | 2:15–3:00 p.m.
K–12 Dragon Dance
Watch this Saint George's tradition beginning on Davenport Hill.

Thursday, September 3 | 6:00–7:30 p.m.
Lower School Back-to-School Night
Meet classroom teachers and Lower School specialists to learn about their programs. This event is for parents only.

Friday, September 4 | 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
5th Grade Float

Monday, September 7
No School — Labor Day