



Crabapple Middle School

Friday Notes

January 14th-18th

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Jan. 14	Report Cards Go Home
Jan. 16	Middle Grades Writing Assessment
Jan. 17	LSAC Meeting @ 7:15am
Jan. 17	Jr. Beta Club Meeting @ 3:45pm
Jan. 17	Washington Parent Meeting @ 7:00pm
Jan. 21	MLK Holiday—NO SCHOOL
Jan. 23	7th Basketball game vs. Elkins Pointe MS @ CMS—5:00pm
Jan. 30	7th Basketball game vs. Northwestern MS @NWMS—5:00pm

MARQUE SU CALENDARIO

17 de enero	Reunion del Jr. Beta a las 3:45pm
21 de enero	Feriado de Martin Luther King-NO HAY ESCUELA
23 de enero	partido de Basketball contra Elkins Pointe MS En nuestra escuela a las 5:00pm
30 de enero	partido de Basketball contra Northwestern MS En la escuela Northwestern a las 5:00pm

Appropriate Bus Behavior

As we enter into second semester, please remind your children the importance of acceptable, appropriate bus behavior. Student should refrain from eating, drinking (unless water and permission to do from the driver), disruptive/disrespectful behavior and language toward other children and the driver while on the bus. The students must conduct themselves on the bus so as not to endanger other students and the driver's safe operation of the bus. Excessive noises, being out of (assigned or unassigned) bus seats and other distractive behaviors should not be exhibited by students on buses. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation as we endeavor to have safe bus transportation for all students during second semester.

Washington Trip Parent Meeting

If your 8th grader is going on the Washington trip, there will be an important parent meeting on Thursday, January 17th at 7:00pm. All details concerning this trip, including student expectations, packing, etc. will be discussed. In addition, all outstanding payments are due to the front office by January 31st. We are excited about the upcoming trip and want to be sure all parents are briefed on the necessary details.

High School Transition

Parents of 8th graders should have received a High School Transition 2008 letter over the winter break. Additional copies are available in the Counseling Department. This document covers all important information and dates concerning the high school transition process. It will also be posted on our school website.

COACH'S CORNER

Mimi Gamel—Graduation Coach

With the new year comes resolutions, most of them broken shortly thereafter. As I reflect on the success of first semester, I wonder how second semester can be better for ALL students and thought of some resolutions to ponder. I would like to share one with you—I suggest that my students resolve to get more involved with community projects this year. Learning and caring about the world and people around them would be an effective use of their energies and enthusiasm. I suggest that my students put down their gadgets, open their doors and head outside to be with the three-dimensional people. Pull out the ear buds and talk to the person next to you. Communicate the old-fashioned way and let your voices be heard! Let 2008 be a year of positive change and excellence for ALL!



Band Students of the Month

The following students have been selected for Student of the Month in Band for the month of December. Students who are selected demonstrate positive attitude, self respect, a positive work ethic, dependability and establish a standard of excellence. These students are:

6th grade: Spencer Roby
Graham Rooks

7th grade: Piper Cerny
Matt Danielak

8th grade: Julian Popescu
Abby Weinstein

New Assistant Principal at CMS

We are excited to announce that Mrs. Nancy Thweatt has been named our new assistant principal, assuming this position with the retirement of Ms. Camille McElroy. Mrs. Thweatt has been the school's Curriculum Support Teacher for the past eight years. She welcomes her new role and looks forward to working with the sixth grade.

Counseling News

We welcome Mrs. Evelyn Prenares, our new Counseling Secretary as of this second semester. Please contact her at extension 125 if you plan on applying to a private school or are moving so the necessary paperwork can be completed.

First semester report cards will be distributed to students on Monday, January 14th and should be returned SIGNED to the homeroom teachers by January 17th.

CMS Lunch Menu

Adding money to Meal Pay Plus takes 48 hours to show in the account

Monday	Chicken Enchiladas, Chicken Nuggets, Soft Shell Taco, Turkey Wrap, Various Salad Plates
Tuesday	Beefaroni, Ham/Cheese Sandwich, Turkey Wrap, Various Salad Plates
Wednesday	Asian Chicken Bites, Chicken Tenders, Turkey Wrap, Various Salad Plates
Thursday	Baked Chicken, Hot Dog/Chili, Turkey Wrap, Various Salad Plates
Friday	Fried Fish, Chicken Wings, Burrito, Turkey Wrap, Various Salad Plates

Important MealPay Plus Program Information

The Mealpay Plus program is currently not operational for making student meal payments electronically to the Fulton County School Nutrition Program. Prepayments for meals will need to be made at the local school cafeteria until further notice. We apologize for this inconvenience and will notify parents when the program is back in service.

Hardship transfers accepted beginning January 7

Beginning January 7, 2008, parents of Fulton County students can apply for a 2008-09 hardship transfer to another Fulton school or request renewal of an existing hardship transfer. The deadline to submit these applications to the Fulton County Schools' Student Placement Office is February 15, 2008. There are no exceptions or extensions. Applications are available at all Fulton County schools, online at <http://www.fultonschools.org/dept/studentplacement>, and at the Fulton County Schools Administrative Center, located at 786 Cleveland Avenue SW in Atlanta. Students currently in the Majority-to-Minority program (M-to-M) do not need to complete a new application unless the student is changing from elementary to middle school or from middle to high school. The M-to-M program is only open to siblings of students who are currently enrolled in the program. Parents with questions or who need more information about hardship transfers can contact the Fulton County Schools' Student Placement Office at 404-763-6801 or visit <http://www.fultonschools.org/dept/studentplacement>.

Service Project: Costa Rica

The 7th and 8th grade Spanish classes taught by Mrs. Shaban and Mrs. Stanojevich donated both school supplies and money to a school in Costa Rica. The classes raised over \$500, which is being used to purchase additional school supplies. The classes worked with the Roswell Rotary. Members of the Rotary will deliver the supplies later this spring to the Costa Rican school. One Rotarian, Mr. McKinney, generously sponsored a pizza party for Mrs. Shaban's 8/9B class, which donated the most. Two other classes were rewarded with an ice cream party and a donut breakfast. Pictures of the classes that donated as well as letters will accompany the supplies to Costa Rica.. We thank all the students and the Roswell Rotary for their efforts.

Clinic News

Flu season is approaching and in Georgia usually peaks in late January to early February. In a release from DHR, Georgia's Public Health Laboratory has already confirmed one case of influenza type A in late December. Influenza is a respiratory illness characterized by high fever, muscle aches, headache, sore throat and dry cough. Flu can last from a few days to more than a week. Remember to cover coughs and sneezes, wash hands frequently and, if possible, limit exposure to others with flu-like symptoms. Parents, please remember that students recovering from illness should be fever-free and have not vomited within 24 hours before returning to school. If your child has flu-like symptoms or may be contagious to others, please keep them home.

Partnership Perks!

- ✔ We would like to thank Laura Dover, owner of The Sophisticated Sardine catering company, for preparing the delicious dish served at a Roswell Parks & Recreation function this week. We want to thank Kroger @ Mansell Crossing and Fidelity Bank for their contributions of food and drinks for this function as well. It was enjoyed by all!
- ✔ We look forward to working with all of our business partners in second semester. Be sure and visit our school's website for a complete list of all business partners. They are a valuable asset to our school and we appreciate all that they do for us!