



Crabapple Middle School

Friday Notes

March 17th – March 21st

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Mar. 17	Progress Reports Issued
Mar. 19-22	8th Grade Washington Trip
Mar. 25	Chorus Pre-Large Group Performance Concert 7:00pm
Mar. 26	Learning Matter Day –Student Dismissal @ 12:35pm
Mar. 26	Spring Picture Day
April 3	Georgia Heritage Day
April 7-11	SPRING BREAK-NO SCHOOL
April 17-23	CRCT Testing Window
April 25	Olympic Opening Ceremonies

Huge Debate Team News!

Crabapple Middle School was awarded State Champions in the Novice Debate Division, thanks to the unstoppable team of Paige Banks and Ayana Owens. The girls were undefeated last weekend at the Urban Debate Team State Championship at Emory University. Also, for the first time in our debate team history, CMS was represented in the Varsity Division by Genesis Williams and Trevor Appier. They competed against 17 teams and won 11th place in the state. We want to thank all team members for a successful season under the leadership of Mrs. Lynn Ellis.

Band Students of the Month

The following students have been selected as the Student of the Month in Band after having demonstrated a positive attitude, self respect, a positive work ethic, dependability and establishing a standard of excellence.

6th grade	MacKenzie Magid, Jack Carstens
7th grade:	Phillip Tyler-Belt, Will Watson
8th grade:	Noah Farber-Jones, Austin Shaw

CRCT Testing Information

The schedule for the spring CRCT is as follows:

April 17	Reading
April 18	Language Arts
April 22	Math
April 23	Science
April 24	Social Studies

Attendance is of primary importance! Please do not schedule any appointments that week and make sure your child is on time for school each day. Students must be seated in homeroom by 8:25am daily to ensure optimal testing time.

COACH'S CORNER

Mimi Gamel—Graduation Coach

Dear CMS Parents,

Our 3rd nine week **Progress Reports**

are going home next week!! Time flies when you are having fun! These reports help you understand how your child is doing in school and how well he/she is behaving overall. By now you are aware of the **Assignment Policy** we have here at Crabapple. Students' homework, class work and projects **must be done**. The **"no zero" policy** on assignments helps you see a grade on the report card that reflects only your child's mastery of the subject at hand. For students that need extra help and time getting their work done we have available opportunities at school besides the teacher help sessions.



1. **Working Lunch or Lunch Bunch** (Monday through Friday during lunch)

2. **The Friday Finish Club** (every Friday during their lunch period)

If you want more information about these help sessions, please contact me at extension 145.

Remember, *It is easier to build up a child than it is to mend an adult.*

Spring Pictures are Coming

March 26th is Spring Picture Day. These pictures are strictly by **prepay so only those students who are purchasing the day of picture day will have their picture taken**. No student will be allowed to call home that morning to have money brought to school. Forms will be coming home next week. We are also offering *Buddy Pics* again this year for **8th graders only**. These pictures are \$10 per person in the picture and each child receives their own package.

Band Performance Evaluation News

The Crabapple Middle School attended the Large Group Performance Evaluation Festival at Douglass High School on March 4th. This event is the "CRCT" for music programs in our state and district. These students were evaluated on many musical fundamentals and concepts. I am glad to report that the CMS 7th grade band received an EXCELLENT rating on their performance..... WAY TO GO!!!!!!!!!!!! These outstanding students represented Husky Pride and their community in an exceptional manner.

**March 26th is Early Release Day ~
School dismissed at 12:35pm**

CMS Lunch Menu

Hot wings are back on the line Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Monday	Chicken Divan, Cuban Pork Sub, Chicken Enchilada, Deli Sandwich
Tuesday	Chili with Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Chicken Nuggets, Pizza, Deli Sandwich, Turkey Wrap, Various Salad Plates
Wednesday	BBQ Chicken, Corndog, Nachos Grande, Deli Sandwich, Turkey Wrap, Various Salad Plates
Thursday	Oven Fried Chicken, Chicken Rings, Beef Enchilada, Deli Sandwich, Turkey Wrap, Various Salad Plates
Friday	Shrimp Poppers, Hamburger, Pizza, Deli Sandwich, Turkey Wrap, Various Salad Plates

Junior Thespian Festival

Last weekend the drama department traveled to Augusta, GA to compete at the International Thespian Festival. Their performance of *Yellow Boat* received the highest rating of an overall Superior. Also, a special congratulations to the following students for receiving a Superior Rating for Individual Events: Beau Ward and Catherine Meyer (Duet Acting), Rene Van Amburgh (Solo Musical), Megan Heard (Solo Musical), Thad Kolwicz and David Coker (Duet Musical). Crabapple received 4 of the 13 Superiors given from over 115 Individual Events at the International Thespian Festival.

Love & Logic Parent Training

Mountain Park Elementary School will be hosting a seven week parenting course, Love & Logic, beginning March 18th through May 6th from 7:00pm-9:00pm. The cost is \$65 per person or \$90 per couple. This parenting program is designed to give parents practical skills to feel more confident and prepared to deal with various issues. Visit www.loveandlogic.com for more information about this program. Contact Sharon Egan at 770)645-5981 in you would like to register.

March is National Nutrition Month

March is National Nutrition Month, so it's a good time to talk about healthy eating habits with your kids. The USDA has created [MyPyramid for kids](#) and the website includes all kinds of good information dished up in an age appropriate manner. Another favorite is [Kid's Health](#), a hands-on website where kids can learn about health at their own level.

8th Grade Dance

Every 8th grader will have an "8th Grade Dance Donation and Volunteer Form" attached to their progress reports. Please complete the form and have your child bring it to the front office. We are very excited about this year's dance and look forward to having every 8th grader attend.

Noche de Universidades—University Night

Tiene usted preguntas acerca de las oportunidades para su hijo en la universidad? Escubra las respuestas y hable con representantes de universidades en Georgia incluyendo. If you have any questions related to University and College opportunities for your child, come and join us. The complete program will be in Spanish. Riverwood High School 18 marzo 2008 – March 18, 2008 6:30 p.m. en el auditorio – in the auditorium. Representantes de universidades responderán sus preguntas individualmente después de la reunión general y se proveerá libretos con información acerca de las universidades, las becas, y mas. University representatives will answer individual questions after the brief general presentation, and brochures will be distributed with information about scholarships, and more. Universities included will be:

- Agnes Scott College
- Armstrong Atlantic State University
- Atlanta Technical College
- DeKalb Technical College
- Georgia College and State University
- Georgia Perimeter College
- Georgia Southern University
- Georgia Southwestern State University
- Georgia State University
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- Kennesaw State University
- Life University
- North Georgia College and State University