



Hilltop Happenings

As presented by Abbotts Hill Staff and PTA



CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

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10 Year Celebration a Huge Success

The 10 Year Celebration held on October 8 was a huge success. We would like to thank our guest speakers, Dr. Cindy Loe, School Superintendent, Ashley Widener, Fulton County Board Member, Mayor Mike Bodker, Johns Creek Mayor, Karen Richardson, Johns Creek Council Member and Randee Nagler, Area Superintendent for their attendance and kind tributes to Abbotts Hill.

We would also like to thank our business partners, Publix at Abbotts Bridge, Northside Hospital, Music Matters and Lifetouch for their generous donations.

One last thank you to all Abbotts Hill Elementary 10 Year Celebration Committee Members, parent volunteers, PTA Committee Members, Balloons Over Georgia personnel and business partner Penpals, who helped to make this day a huge success!! Your support was truly appreciated.



Rainy Days

We have had a great number of rainy days this fall. Please help to ensure that your student arrives at school prior to the tardy bell which rings at 7:45 am.

If you choose to drive your child to school, please make sure that you leave in sufficient time, so that he or she can arrive on time and be ready to begin their school day prior to the ringing of the tardy bell. If using carpool, please follow ALL directions of the staff working in carpool duty.

Please note that students are never counted as tardy if riding a Fulton County School Bus to school.



Thank You Jason's Deli!

The staff of Abbotts Hill would like to thank business partner, Jason's Deli for the tasty lunch that was provided on the Early Release Day this week. It was a great rainy day treat for our staff.



Lost and Found

The lost and found has grown! If your student is missing items, please have him or her check the lost and found. All unclaimed items will be donated to a local charity on Monday, November 16, 2009.

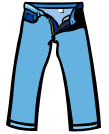
Red Ribbon Week is October 26-30

This year's theme for Red Ribbon Week is "PAWS-itively Drug Free!" Students are encouraged to make healthy choices that will keep them drug and alcohol free. Each day students may participate in the following theme days as a part of the celebration:



Monday, Oct. 26: Don't let drugs SNEAK up on you. Wear sneakers/tennis shoes.

Tuesday, Oct. 27: Be a JEAN-ius and stay drug free. Wear jeans.



Wednesday, Oct. 28: Stay in the game and team up against drugs.

Wear a jersey or something from your favorite sports team.

Thursday, Oct. 29: PAWS-itively red and drug free! Wear red.



Friday, Oct. 30: Hats off to being drug free! Wear a hat.

Calendar Events

10/21	Operation Safe Kids - Flyer in today's folder Consent form due on Monday, Oct. 19
10/22	Picture Retakes ***Rescheduled Date***
10/26-10/30	Red Ribbon Week - See details above
10/28	10:00 am - PTA Coffee See details on back of newsletter
11/05	6:30 pm - 2nd Grade Musical
11/16	Last Day to Pick Up Lost and Found
11/16-11/20	Book Fair - More details in this newsletter
11/17	6:00 pm Storybook Night
11/18	Early Release Day Students dismissed at 11:15
11/25-11/27	Thanksgiving Break - No School

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Mark Your Calendars for the Upcoming PTA Morning Coffee Wednesday, October 28, 2009 at 10:00 -11:15 AM

Building Healthy Eating Habits at School and Home

This is a Childhood Nutrition presentation presented by Registered Dietitians, Amy Sabbag and Lisa Giles. Also Leslie Lew, School Nutrition Area Supervisor, will speak about the nutritional value of Fulton County school lunches.

Interactive Whiteboard Demonstration

Abbotts Hill's own Nancy Rentz will demonstrate the classroom uses for this technology. This Whiteboard demo will include an Abbotts Hill staff introduction - a great way for new families to get to know the staff.

Don't Miss the Memories... Order Your 2009-2010 Yearbooks

Yearbooks are available for purchase online. Visit www.myear.com. Once there, click on GA, Johns Creek, Abbotts Hill to order your yearbook for \$28. Prices will go up after October 31st. Contact Tracey Shelton at shelton@comcast.net with any questions.



Have some information for the next issue?

Please send the details to Mia Casnocha at mcasnocha@gmail.com or 770-667-1750.

Hilltop Happenings is published bi-monthly and submissions are due on Monday for inclusion in that Friday's issue.

Destination BOOK FAIR

Destination Book Fair: "Read Around the World" is Coming Soon!

Our annual fall book fair will be held during the week of November 16 - 20. It's a wonderful opportunity to build your child's home library and to stock up for gift giving for the holiday season. Mark your calendars also for Family Night and Storybook Hour on Tuesday evening, November 17. We'll begin soliciting volunteers in late-October, but if anyone is interested in helping with posters or decorations now, please contact Elizabeth Lang via e-mail at ewlang@bellsouth.net or 770-664-2802.



Keep Sending In Those Boxtops!

The competition will continue to run through October 31st. Grade-level winners will receive a "special prize", and the top winning class will earn an "extra special prize!" This is a free, easy way to support the school and the children love it! Totals will be posted in the front atrium weekly.

Questions? Please contact Christine Parks at claychris320@comcast.net.

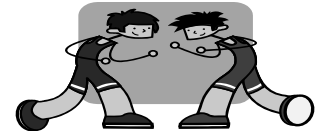
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Jr. Cougar Wrestling

Does your son want to get stronger? Does he want to stay fit through the winter months? Then he needs to join the Chattahoochee Junior Cougar Wrestling Club at Chattahoochee High School. We are open to students in grades 4 through 8. No Tryouts! All kids participate! No experience necessary!

Our parent meeting will be held Wednesday, October 21st at 7:00 in the Chattahoochee Media Center. Sign up forms will be available that night. Our season begins November 3rd. Practices will be held Tuesday and Thursday nights 6:30 - 8:30 pm in the Chattahoochee Auxiliary Gym. To receive more information via e-mail, contact Judy McMahan at:

Judith_mcmahan@transwestern.net



AS REQUESTED...

As in years past, Abbotts Hill is offering Sally Foster gift wrap, edibles, and home décor. Many parents have requested the opportunity to purchase this high quality gift wrap so we are bringing it to you again. All orders of \$70 or more will receive free shipping.

To place your order:

- Log on to www.sallyfoster.com Click on any of the categories you wish to purchase from Place your order When you are done shopping click on Check out Enter 0623465 under School/Group Account Number

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