



Alpharetta Elementary Eagle Wings



Soaring with Alpharetta Attitude - Ready, Respectful, Responsible

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Today our 5th graders will come back from what promises to be their most memorable and fun-filled elementary field trip – Rock Eagle! Mr. Allison and I split our time with the students on this trip with me doing the first part and Mr. Allison wrapping it up. I figured the students would love to have *him* in charge of some great campfire fun. Less than 100 miles away nestled in the Oconee Forest, Rock Eagle is the state's largest 4-H Center and is known for its high quality environmental education programs. Check out the Rock Eagle website and see for yourself at www.georgia4h.org/public/facilities/rockeagle.

Can you believe we are already into the 2nd third of the school year? Are you finding your child overscheduled with almost every minute of their waking hours scheduled with schoolwork, chores or extra-curricular activities? Overscheduled children become exhausted and overwhelmed. They get anxious, discouraged and ultimately unmotivated.

To be healthy and happy, every child needs some downtime. Time just to be, reflect, and imagine. To ensure your child isn't overscheduled may I suggest the following?

- Help your child select only one or two structured activities that match her unique interests and abilities.
- Schedule one to two hours of free time a day for your child. Make sure he/she has access to art supplies, games, books, etc.
- Expect some boredom. Boredom can motivate kids to listen to their inner voice. They tinker, write, draw and create.
- Never let school become secondary to extra-curricular activities. Make sure your child doesn't stay up late to finish homework. Remember, elementary-age children need 10 to 11 hours of sleep a day.
- Plan for "unrushed family time". Have days that are completely open to just putter around the house and yard together. Listen to music. Take a walk. Do something you both enjoy that has no goal.

The leaves are about at their peak here around Alpharetta. Perhaps you will enjoy some outside time with your children. Have a great fall weekend.

Remember – Turn in your Boosterthon pledges by Tuesday, November 11th!

Reminder:

For student safety, always be prepared to show ID when you are checking out your student. Ms. Sherman is not always at the front desk and the person covering might not recognize you.

**Picture Retake Day
November 12th -**

New Students and students who were absent on October 2nd will bring home an order form today.

**Veterans'
Day
November
11th**



Up Coming Dates



November

- 10-14** Canned Food Drive
- 11** Veteran's Day
Boosterthon Pledge Money Due
- 12** Picture Retake Day
1:00-2:20 PTA Executive Board Mtg
- 13** **Varsity Family Night**
- 14** LSAC Meeting - 8:00am -9:30am
- 19** Early Release Day - Students dismissed at 11:20
- 20** FCBOE Board Meeting - 6:30-8:30
- 21** AES 52nd Birthday
- 26-28** Thanksgiving Holiday - No School

December

- 1-8** Barnes & Noble AES Book Fair at Barnes & Noble
- 3** Art Reflections breakfast - 7:15-7:45
- 4** Barnes & Noble Family Night 4:00-8:00
- 10** Chick-fil-A Family Night - 5:00-8:00
- 11** Chorus Concert - 6:00-6:45
Band Concert - 7:00-7:45
- 12** Original Art Works sent home
- 15** Orchestra Concert - 6:30-7:15
- 17** Chorus to Perform at Jackson Healthcare
- 18** PK-2nd Holiday Parties
6:30-8:30pm FCBOE Board Meeting
- 19** 3-5 Holiday Parties
End of First Semester
- 22-Jan 2** - Winter Holidays

January

- 5** Teacher Work Day

**BOOSTERTHON PLEDGE MONEY IS DUE
NOVEMBER 11TH.**



All checks should be made payable to AES PTA. All pledges/donations are tax deductible.

10% OF ALL MONEY COLLECTED BY NOVEMBER 11TH will go back to your child's teacher's class and used to further enhance the educational platform.

Again, thank you for your support and dedication to AES!



AES Canned Food Drive

November 10 marks the beginning of our annual canned food drive to benefit North Fulton Charities. Students can bring in canned goods and other nonperishable items each day next week! Our AES goal is 2008 donations in 2008! Top classes will be recognized. Thank you for your generosity! *Questions? contact Linda Coyle at coyle05@yahoo.com.*



Cafeteria Notes...

I know that sometimes it can be difficult to keep up with your child's lunch account. As cafeteria manager, I am required to follow Fulton Count guidelines. I would like to remind everyone that after three charges in the cafeteria, any child needing lunch will be given a sandwich until the charges are paid. You may call during school hours at 770-667-2930 or send a note to inquire about your child's balance. Thanks!
Vickye Monger, Cafeteria Manager



Congratulations to our Art Reflections Winners:

Kindergarten

- Jason Aussin
- Celia Gomez
- Andrew Mathis

1st Grade

- Sean Carmody
- Sophie Richardson
- Olivia Boggus

2nd Grade

- Chloe Richardson
- Mason Huepper
- William dosSantos

3rd Grade

- Andrew Buck
- Kelsie Constable

Spencer Lingle

- Peter Luffel
- Trey Placek
- Kendall Salmon
- Zoey Wagner

4th Grade

- Madeline Ganter
- Christopher Gomez
- Anshul Gupta

5th Grade

- Sydney Hutchinson
- Harrison McNally
- Caroline Schwab

Redistricting Community Meetings!

In North Fulton, a new elementary school is under construction on Birmingham Highway in Milton. Three meetings will be held at the Milton Center (formerly Milton High School at 86 School Drive, Alpharetta) from 7-9 p.m.

- Round Two – November 13
- Round Three – December 10

About the redistricting process:

Each time a redistricting effort is under way, the school system holds three rounds of meetings to gather information needed to draft a redistricting proposal that best meets the community's needs. Unlike other school systems, Fulton uses a process that encourages public discussion before developing a proposal. This allows the community to have maximum input in how the proposed attendance lines are created.

Lost and Found



Coats, hats, lunch boxes - everything in the AES lost and found will be donated to North Fulton Charity before Thanksgiving and then again at Winter Break.

