



Alpharetta Elementary Eagle Wings



Soaring with Alpharetta Attitude - Ready, Respectful, Responsible

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**May We Help?
Feel Free to Call Us
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**From:
The Principal's Desk,**

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We believe that homework will help students be more successful in school. Homework will usually be assigned four nights a week. Having a quiet place to work and setting a regular time to do homework helps students review what was learned in class. Most homework assignments are due the next day; however, students may have long-range homework assignments such as reading a book, writing a report or completing a project.

The goals of our homework policy are:
To develop good study habits and responsibility
To reinforce skills taught in school
To promote parent involvement
To improve student achievement



	Homework Length (Monday – Thursday)		
<u>Kindergarten</u>	<u>1st Grade</u>	<u>2nd Grade</u>	
10-15 minutes of reading	10-15 minutes of reading	15-20 minutes of reading	
Review work with your child	10 minutes of homework	20 minutes of homework	
	Max total: 30 minutes	Max total: 40 minutes	
<u>3rd Grade</u>	<u>4th Grade</u>	<u>5th Grade</u>	
30 minutes of homework	40 minutes of homework	50-60 minutes of homework	
15-20 minutes of reading	20-30 minutes of reading	20-30 minutes of reading	
Max total: 50 minutes	Max total: 70 minutes	Max total: 80 minutes	

Please contact your child's teacher(s) if you have any concerns. Work with the teacher and show your child that the school and home are a team. Check out the No Child Left Behind brochure titled "Homework Tips for Parents" at <http://www.ed.gov/parents/academic/involve/homework/homeworktips.pdf>.

Parents, this year our teachers have new textbooks in four subjects, new standards to learn in social studies, new units in math, language arts, science, and social studies, new processes for grade reporting, new resources in data disaggregation, new practices with continuous achievement...not to mention new students for this year! While we are thrilled to have up-to-date resources, we face challenges in gaining familiarity with all that is new. Our teachers are diligently working long hours every day to be prepared for quality instruction. These are busy times for our school and all schools in Fulton County, and our teachers need your continued support and patience.

Their passion and focus remains solidly on your children and their success. I thank you for your availability to volunteer, your trust and faith in their outstanding knowledge and expertise, your support of our early release days, and for your commitment to education.

Have a great weekend and hope to see you at the Carnival later today!

"Life doesn't require that we be the best, only that we try our best." H. Jackson Brown Jr.



Up Coming Dates

October

- 5-10 Fire Prevention Week
- 7 Domino's Pizza Family Night (delivery only)
- 8 PTA Executive Board Meeting - 8:30 - Media Center
- 10 Conference Day - no School
- 13 Columbus Day
- 15 Early Release Day - Students dismissed at 11:20am
- 16 FCBOE Board Meeting - 6:30pm
- 20-24 National School Bus Safety Week
- 20 Boosterthon Pep Rallies - 12:45-2:15
- 22 PTA Meeting - 9:00am-11:00am - Media Center
- 24 Deadline for Original Art Work orders
- Movie Night- 7:00-9:00
- 27-31 Red Ribbon Week
- 29 Boosterthon



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE BOOSTERTHON FUN RUN OCTOBER 29TH!

Check out the Boosterthon website for more information regarding this year's primary school fund-raiser at www.funrun.com. Come cheer your AES Eagles at the Fun Run on October 29th! Your child will come home with detailed information on October 21st.

October 29 th FUN RUN	
9:00 -10:15am	2 nd and 3 rd grades
10:30 -11:45am	4 th and 5 th grades
12:00 -1:15pm	K & 1 st Grades

Box Tops and Carnival

Baskets:



Two Box Tops baskets will be raffled at Carnival. Simply write your last name on the back of your **Box Tops** and deposit them in the collection bag associated with the basket you would like to win. The Publix sponsored basket includes over \$50 worth of healthy food AND a \$25 gift card. The Kimberly-Clark basket includes over \$100 worth of KC brand products like Huggies, Kleenex, Cottonelle, and more!

Hop Scotch Sheets:



Don't forget to bring your filled Hop Scotch sheets to the Carnival to **redeem at the ticket booth** for 6 free tickets! You may redeem as many filled sheets as you have Box Tops. Unfilled Hop Scotch sheets will not be accepted.



Attention All AES Band Parents & Students

Band Shirt Order Forms went home last week. Band Shirt Orders are due by October 10th.



FORGOTTEN ITEMS



Please help us teach our students to be ready and responsible by not bringing forgotten items to school. However, if a parent brings items such as lunch money, sack lunches or homework, items will be delivered one time during the morning – 9:00 am. Any item brought after that time will be placed in the teacher's mailbox to be picked up at lunchtime. Musical instruments must be at school by 7:55 or students will not have their instruments for music class. Exceptions to this rule are eyeglasses and medications.

This is in our Student Handbook.

Change in Meeting Location

Milton Center will be the new location for the redistricting meetings. This site was chosen because it is centrally located for all schools involved in redistricting.

"Thank You" to Our Great Parents!

We screened our 1st, 3rd, and 5th grade students for vision and hearing on October 1st. Everything ran very smoothly due to a coordination of efforts of students, parents and teachers. We simply could not have accomplished this without our speech teachers and our many parent volunteers. A special thanks to Sandy Rogalski, Michelle Gordon, and Jennifer Major for all your work coordinating and working this event. Because of all of your collected efforts, our AES children will benefit. You are a part of what makes our school so great!

Fall Carnival Today 4:30 until 8:30 p.m.



Come and have some fun tonight! Please join us for games, crafts, inflatables, theme baskets, music, food and more. Almost all the games will be outside this year, so we can enjoy a beautiful fall evening. However, some of you might be more comfortable if you bring a sweatshirt with you.

For those of you that signed up to work the first shift, please make sure that you check-in by 4:15pm, so that you have time to receive instructions and set up your booth. It makes it easier on everyone if you are ready for the first customers!

Please be patient with parking. Look for parking down Upshaw Drive and Brook Drive, as the back entrance to the school will be clearly marked and this will save you from a longer walk. If you park in any of the side streets in the residential areas, only park in one direction. The police will tow/ticket cars if they block both sides of the street. So be careful! You may only use the Public Library parking lot after they close at 6:00pm.

We can always use extra Bake Sale goodies, so bring in some baked goods, bagged .50 cents each. If you are entering the Cake Decorating Contest or Chili Cook Off, please have your items in the cafeteria by 4:30pm.

A BIG **THANK YOU** to everyone who is volunteering and/or baking. All the money raised today goes directly to our school for teacher grants. Have a GREAT time!



Domino's Pizza Family Night
October 7th - 5pm-9pm
770-664-9508



Make dinner easy - call Domino's for delivery. Domino's will donate 20% of sales to the school. Tell them Alpharetta Elementary sent you!



**See you at the Carnival
Tonight!**

