



# Alpharetta Elementary Eagle Wings



*Soaring with Alpharetta Attitude - Ready, Respectful, Responsible*

*Patricia Reed—Principal*

*Andy Allison - Assistant Principal*

**May We Help?  
Feel Free to Call Us  
770-740-7015**

**From:  
The Principal's Desk**

**Sign-in Please – for “The Safety of our Children”**

Visitors and volunteers, for safety and security reasons, please sign in at the office before going to a classroom, media center, lunch room or playground. Our School Safety Plan requires that we know of every person on our campus, no matter how frequently you visit. In case of any emergency, we need to account for everyone's whereabouts. We would like to remind all parents/guests upon entering the building to:

- A) Stop in the office and sign in using our new computerized program.
- B) Place a visitors/volunteer badge in a visible location on oneself.
- C) Inform the office staff of your appointment so that they may direct you or inform the staff member to meet you and
- D) Sign out before leaving.

This will ensure that we attend to all our parents/guests in a timely manner and that your presence in the building will never be questioned.

**Keeping the Flow of Instruction**

In order to assure the best environment for learning we are very protective of instructional time. This means that we must ask that we minimize interruptions during class time. Please make every effort to make certain your child is learning responsibility by bringing everything he/she needs for school each morning and afterschool plans have been made before he/she leaves for school. Parent requests for homework, instruments, lunches and messages to be given to students during school hours can have a negative impact on the children's focus for learning.

**ITBS**

The results of the 2008 ITBS (Iowa Tests of Basic Skills) that were administered in September to our third and fifth graders were sent home Monday. Please take the time to review the results. The scores remain relatively stable in Fulton County, which outscored the nation. However, look at how well our students performed! We are very proud of their hard work and the great teaching our teachers provide on a daily basis. Of course, we couldn't do it without the support of our parents. Thank you.

The scores listed below are this year's national percentile ranks.

	<b>Total Reading</b>	<b>Total Math</b>	<b>Total Language</b>	<b>Social Studies</b>	<b>Science</b>
<b>Grade 3</b>					
AES	81	85	82	85	86
Fulton County	65	72	68	70	68
National Average	50	50	50	50	50
<b>Grade 5</b>					
AES	83	83	77	84	78
Fulton County	65	69	65	68	68
National Average	50	50	50	50	50


- CST**  
Michele McInnish Ext. 135
- Counselor**  
Amanda Fischer Ext. 128
- IST**  
Mary Natelli Ext. 125  
Sheila Connell Ext. 131
- Cafeteria Manager**  
Vickye Monger Ext. 160
- Data Clerk**  
Lisa Hawks Ext. 132
- Clinic**  
Peggy Lloyd Ext. 134
- Media Specialist**  
Ann Schaub Ext. 150
- Principal's Secretary/Bookkeeper**  
Pam Ferguson Ext. 127



**Reminder:**  
*URGENT!* 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.

**Early Release Day - Wednesday, November 19th.**  
If you haven't returned your Early Release Day dismissal form, please do so by Monday.



**WOW, 82% OF BOOSTERTHON PLEDGES RECEIVED BY NOVEMBER 11TH!**  
 Congratulations and Thank You to everyone for helping us exceed our goal for this years primary school fundraiser! There was just over \$64,000 pledged and 82% of that was received by November 11th! How great it would be collect 100%! So don't delay, turn in your pledge money as soon as feasible. Through your generosity and diligence, your child's teacher will be receiving 10% of all money that was collected, by November 11th, to assist in enhancing the educational platform.

We are truly grateful to have such a supportive parent base that is willing to help in so many ways!

**THANK YOU** Thank you to the Administration, Staff and Parent Chaperones for a wonderful Rock Eagle trip!! We are so grateful to have such a winning team working with our 5th graders!  
5th grade projects team

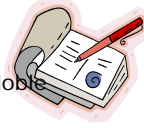
**Up Coming Dates**

**November**

- 17** American Education Week
- 18** Katie Reeves Community Meeting - 9:30-11:30-  
New Prospect Elem.  
4th gr. Chorus performing at Alpharetta Publix -  
5:00-5:30
- 19** Early Release Day - Students dismissed at 11:20
- 20** FCBOE Board Meeting - 6:30-8:30
- 21** AES 52nd Birthday  
Substitute Educators Day
- 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  
Teacher times: **4:30-5:30** - Rhodes, Holbrook,  
Mace, Easterling, Rice, Keys/**5:30-6:30** - Bluth,  
Waller, Murray, Farmer/**6:30-7:30** - Allen,  
Sterrett, Genesky, Peagler, Dahunsi



**AES 2008 HOLIDAY GIVING**



This year we will assign each grade level a collection of items that have been requested by North Fulton Charities as their greatest needs for this holiday season. The assignments will be as follows:

- Wing/Kindergarten - diapers and baby wipes
- 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> - hats, socks, and mittens
- 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> - blankets
- 5<sup>th</sup> - umbrellas

We'll be collecting items in the classrooms from Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> – Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>.

We will be helping AES families in need this holiday season by providing food. If you are interested in assisting or know of someone in need, please contact our school counselor, Ms. Amanda Fischer at **770-740-7015**.



**Box Top Classroom Contest**



Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup> until Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>  
Your family will be an integral part of the upcoming Box Top contest starting Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup> until Dec 19<sup>th</sup> when the winners will be announced. Get excited, start clipping and sending your Box Tops into AES!!

All classes per grade level will compete on how many Box Tops they can collect during the contest. One class per grade level will be a winner!! All mixed grade level special needs classes will be grouped together.

Each winning class will receive:

- A "snacks for a year" basket from Publix
- Each class teacher will receive a 3500 point shopping spree in the Campbell's Labels for Education catalog to purchase items for their class.
- Each child will receive a "free cone" card from Brusters.

I am thrilled to announce that none of these prizes will cost AES anything – they are all donated!! That means every Box Top will count as a donation to AES!! It's free money, easy to participate, and easy to get excited about. Thank you for your support. Questions: contact Stacey DiMarco at [tsdi-marco@comcast.net](mailto:tsdi-marco@comcast.net).

**Box Tops – 3 More Ways to Earn Cash for AES**

**10,000 Bonus Box Tops Giveaway!**

Betty Crocker® Fruit-Flavored Snacks is giving away 10,000 Bonus Box Tops in November. School supporters can enter once every day this month for their chance to win at:

<http://www.boxtops4education.com/Promotions/>

**Box Top Marketplace**

Remember to start you online holiday shopping at the Box Tops



Marketplace. Go to [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com). Click on the link to any one of the more than 70 favorite online stores; you'll be automatically sent to that store's web site. Shop and check out as you normally would and a portion of your qualifying purchase is donated to AES.

**Register on the Box Top Website**

December 31, 2009 is the deadline for registering and earning 5 Bonus Box Tops for AES. Please take the time to register. Note: It can take 6-12 months for AES earnings to be properly displayed on the website. <http://www.boxtops4education.com/Passion>

**Announcing a "Book Fair of a Different Color"!**



Mark your calendars for a "Book Fair of a Different Color" to be held at the Alpharetta Barnes and Noble, December 1 through 8 with Family Night on Thursday, December 4 from 4-8 pm.

This event makes a great opportunity to do your holiday shopping while helping the AES Media Center. With Barnes & Noble's vast selection of books, DVDs, CDs and gifts, finding something to purchase for everyone on your list will be easy and exciting! Mark your calendar and watch for detailed information coming soon!



**Book Drive Next Week**

Milton High School's newest club, "A Vision Beyond the Village Club" is holding a book drive at Alpharetta Elementary! The club sponsors a village school in rural India. It wants to help broaden the school's "vision beyond the village", and pursue an academic career filled with inspiration and goals... but we need your help! If you have any old children's books, picture books, maps, or any other resources suitable for elementary school kids, please bring them in and donate to them to The Vision Beyond the Village Club.

**When:** November 10- 17

**Where:** Drop them in a box at the school's Library, or in a box near the front office fish tank.

**What:** children's books and resources

**Why:** To help underprivileged kids across the world learn, imagine and aspire to become great people.



**Contact Information:** Mallika Halder (VBTV President) 678-575-4889

**Lost and Found**

**Our Lost and Found bins are overflowing. Please check for lost items as soon as possible. All items left will be donated during Thanksgiving.**