



Husky Paw Prints

"Stepping up to the challenges of tomorrow
By preparing today"

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Dates to Remember

September 17, 2009

**FCBOE Mtg, 6:30pm,
Dunwoody Springs
Charter ES**

September 21-25, 2009

**ITBS Testing, Grades 3
and 5 only**

September 22, 2009

**2nd Session, Strengthening
Families Program,
6:30pm**

September 29, 2009

**3rd Session, Strengthening
Families Program,
6:30pm**

**PTA Twisted Taco
Night, 5:00-8:00pm**

September 30, 2009

Picture Day

From the Desk of:
Lori Fanning, Principal

As we move into the school year it is not too late to set some goals with your children. Starting the year off right is a goal every child and parent sets for themselves. Achieving that yearly goal is as simple as looking at areas that make a big impact on how the rest of the year will go.

Agendas and Advance Planning. The school agenda is the first tool in teaching your child how to plan in advance, keep track of homework, plan projects, keep up with outside activities and learn time management skills. Set 10-15 minutes aside on Sunday nights and have your child open his/her agenda to the coming week. Use the blank spaces at the end of the day to write in outside activities, homework and study times, family activities and study and project times. Don't forget to include the times when these things will take place. And, don't forget weekend activities.

As you go through this process you are teaching your children to start seeing the bigger picture, to anticipate what is coming up, and to set goals, prioritize and plan their own schedule. They are also learning how to manage their time on a day-to-day basis and do long term planning for projects, tests and other activities.

We will be sharing our school goals with the Hillside Community on

From the Clinic: With flu season already here, we have had a large number of students and staff absent with the flu or flu like symptoms. Please remind your child the importance of hand washing to help prevent the spread of germs. **Also, remember that your child may not return to school until they have been free from fever for 24 hours.** A written note must be sent to the school on the child's return in order to excuse the absence. Any questions, please feel free to contact Josephine Sturtz at sturtz@fultonschools.org.

SEPTEMBER 21-25, 2009

ITBS TESTING

Business Partners

- Newtown Recreation
- Walton Properties/ Walton Centennial
- SunTrust Bank (Wal-Mart)
- Monterrey Mexican Restaurant
- Carter House Gallery and Framing
- Bruster's Ice Cream (Holcomb Br)
- Publix (Haynes Bridge Rd)
- Kroger (Centennial Shopping Ctr)
- Jason's Deli
- Wal-Mart (Mansell Rd)
- Chick-Fil-A (Holcomb Br Rd)
- Karate USA
- Buffalo Wild Wings (Mansell Rd)

TESTING TIPS:

PARENTS: During the week of testing

- Avoid emphasizing test scores; focus on the value of doing his/her best
- Be sure your child has a good breakfast
- See that he/she gets at least 10 hours of sleep, more if needed
- Plan ahead and create non-stressful evenings and mornings
- Be sure that your child has his/her glasses and medication if needed
- See that your child is at school on time

STUDENTS:

- READ all the choices and eliminate answers that you know are not correct
- Select the best choice of those that remain

RELAXATION TECHNIQUES:

- 3/12/6-deep breathing-inhale for 3 seconds...hold for 12 seconds...exhale for 6 seconds
- Neck tension—slowly rotate your neck from side to side then lift shoulders up and release down



PTA NEWS



entertainment

The Hillside Elementary PTA ENTERTAINMENT BOOK fundraiser is going strong! For only \$20, you can help raise money for the Hillside Elementary PTA. The money pays for projects voted on by PTA members like YOU, like Smart Boards for the classrooms! Hillside PTA **receives 50% of each book sold!!!** The **2010 Entertainment Book** quickly pays for itself, and you support your local economy every time you use it!! The **NEW BONUS SAVINGS CARDS** on the cover of the book save you \$20.00! That covers the cost of the book itself!! You can support Hillside ES and save money at the same time!!

Entertainment Book orders forms will be distributed in your child's VIP pack. Please fill out the back of this form and send it back to school attention: Nancy Miller. Make checks payable to: Hillside Elementary PTA

PLUS, sell to out-of-town family and friends throughout the U.S. and Canada via email!! Register your student in the seller section of www.fundraising.entertainment.com Our school earns credit for online purchases when the

Save the Dates - Dinner & Dessert Nights *New this year - Raffle Prizes!*

Bring the entire family and show your Husky Pride this month at the first series of **Dinner and Dessert Nights**. Come enjoy tasty food & treats, fun with friends and enter to win great prizes! Here's the best part -- a portion of your tab will be donated to Hillside. Look for more exciting details to come!



Tues, Sept 29th - Twisted Taco (Holcomb Woods Village) 5 - 8pm

REFLECTIONS BEGINS

The Reflections program started this week! This year's theme is "Beauty is...". Students will learn about the "Art of Expression" to help them create works of art. Reflections is sponsored by the national PTA and provides an opportunity for students to be creative and receive positive recognition for their efforts.



Students are encouraged to create and submit works of art in six categories: literature, photography, visual arts, dance, film/video production and musical composition.

Entry forms will be sent home with each student in late September. Entries are due by October 20th. Additional forms, rules and more information are available at <http://www.georgiapta.org/resources-student-reflections.html>. Please be sure to read the rules for each category as entries must adhere to the PTA guidelines in order to advance to the council level.

The 1st and 2nd place winners in each category and grade level will advance to the council level and will be announced in November. An awards ceremony will also be held with the date to be determined.



PICTURE DAY IS COMING!

Picture Day is September 30th, please look for information coming home this week. Volunteers are need to help with Picture Day, please contact Carolyn Stuhltrager, stuhltrager@fultonschools.org, if you are available.

HOOPS CITY BASKETBALL CLINIC

Saturday, Sept 19, 2009 @
Centennial High School
5:00-9:00pm

Girls and Boys ages 5-15

Information & Registration forms are available at the Front Lobby

Questions please contact Kim Coleman at

2thehoop@bellsouth.net

404-429-1584



CHS Mighty Knights Marching Band Yard Sale

What: Yard Sale

When: **Saturday, October 3, 2009, 10:00am – 2:00pm**

Where: Centennial HS front parking lot

We are requesting **donations of items** for the sale with the proceeds to help fund the Band's trip to Florida for the 2010 Gator Bowl and Universal Studios Macy's Parade. **Rental of vendor booths** to sell your own items (such as yard sale items, crafts, jewelry, etc.) is also planned. Donations may be dropped off at the school on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays until 6:00pm. More details are available on the band web site (chsknightsband.com), or contact Ms. Irita Mullen, mulleni@fultonschools.org, 770-650-4230 ext. 132

