



Husky Paw Prints

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

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The Modular Classrooms Are Here

We are very excited to say that our facilities are expanding at Hillside Elementary to meet the needs of our students. The expansion is taking place outside of our gymnasium and will include two modular classrooms. We are hoping to have the classrooms up and running within the next four weeks. At this time, the administration is considering how these improvements can best serve our students.



PICTURE RETAKES will be Thursday, November 5th. All students who were absent for the first picture day will have their picture taken. If you were not satisfied with your previous picture, please send in the complete package and another picture will be taken. If you would like to order additional pictures from your previous packet, please contact Lifetouch directly at 866-955-8342, or mylifetouch.com. Any questions please contact Carolyn Stuhltrager at stuhltrager@fultonschools.org or 770-552-6362.



SCHOOL BOARD ADOPTS 2010-11 CALENDAR

After several months of reviewing different options and receiving community input, the Fulton County Board of Education approved a 177-day calendar for the 2010-11 school year. The school year will begin on August 23, 2010 and end May 27, 2011.

Originally, the school board was expected to approve calendars for both 2010-11 and 2011-12 at its October 22 meeting, but decided to approve only the 2010-11 calendar so that more time could elapse in the state's economic situation before committing to the 177-day school year for an additional year. School board discussion on the 2011-12 calendar could pick back up as early as the spring.

2010-11 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

<u>First Semester</u>	
Aug 11-13	Professional Learning Days
Aug 16-20	Pre-Planning
Aug 23	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
Sep 6	Labor Day Holiday
Oct 11	Teacher Workday
Nov 24-26	Thanksgiving Holidays
Dec 23-	
Jan 3	Winter Holidays
<u>Second Semester</u>	
Jan 4	Teacher Workday
Jan 5	FIRST DAY BACK TO SCHOOL
Jan 17	M.L.King, Jr., Holiday
Feb 21	President's Day
March 11	Teacher Workday
April 4-8	Spring Break
April 22	Student/Teacher Holiday
May 27	Last Day of School
May 30	Memorial Holiday
May 31-	
June 1	Post Planning

SCIENCE DAY WED, NOVEMBER 4TH!

Science Day is next Wednesday, November 4th. In preparation, we are having a "sort and organize" day this Sunday, November 1st from 3-6pm in the Hillside Cafeteria. We need parent volunteers to come and help us sort and distribute experiment materials to the teachers. We would appreciate any time you have to give. Also, thanks to our Husky families for providing us with all of our recyclable materials. We have everything we need for all of our activities. Thank you!

RED RIBBON WEEK IS A BIG SUCCESS!
 We would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to Learning Express for donating the "drug free bracelets" that the kids received last week during "Red Ribbon Week".
 Thank you to all the students, parents and teachers for making "Red Ribbon Week" a great success. Thank you to Frankie Linder and Amy Campbell for their hard work.

Dates to Remember

- November 3, 2009**
Election Day
6:30-8:30pm, Strengthening Families Seminar
- November 4, 2009**
Science Day
- November 5, 2009**
Picture Retake Day
- November 6, 2009**
7:00am, All Pro Dad, Dad's Day, Cafeteria Vision Rescreening
- November 9, 2009**
Technology Fair Parent Mtg.
- November 10, 2009**
Boosterthon Kick-off
9:30am, PTA Exec. Bd. Mtg.
6:30-8:30pm Strengthening Families Seminar

Business Partners

- Platinum Partners**
 Bruster's (Ellard Village)
 Chick-fil-A at Rivermont Station
 Newtown Recreation
 The Dojo
 The Special Occasion
 Twisted Taco
- Gold Partners**
 Citrus Solution
 Dream Dinners
 Mibab Orthodontics
 Walton Centennial Apartment Homes
- Silver Partners**
 Atlanta Kids Directory
 Children's Dental Zone
 Children's Dentistry
 Foot Solutions
 Learning Express
 Synergy Fine Art
 The Pediatric Place

YOUTH ORCHESTRA ANNOUNCES WINNERS

The Fulton County Elementary Youth Orchestra has announced the audition winners for the 2009-10 school year! This orchestra is a select honors group with members auditioning by orchestra teacher recommendation from 34 Fulton County elementary schools. The 100 member group rehearses at Chattahoochee H.S. on Tuesdays from 3:30 – 5:30. Ms. Mansell recommended several students from the Hillside Elementary Orchestra, and the winners were Jason Li, Kaylani Antonio, Nana Pourshiravi, and Luke Sadd. Please give a big “high 5” to these most excellent orchestra students! The FCEYO’s next concert will be on Wednesday, November 18th at 7:00 P.M. at Alpharetta H.S. Everyone is invited to attend!



All Pro Dad - Monthly Meeting

Please Join Us For The Hillside Dads - All Pro Dad Monthly Breakfast on Friday, November 6th at 7:00 am. Due to space and time constraints we have modified the format as follows:

7:00am - 7:15am - Cafeteria - Bring Your Own Breakfast

7:20 - 7:45 - Gym - All Pro Dad Program - "Launch Your Kids"

See You There!

Please RSVP via: <http://www.allprodad.com/dd/1494>



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Do you like to scrapbook? Would you like to make a photo album of the exciting things happening at Hillside? The PTA is looking for 1 to 2 individuals to make a scrapbook of the events & PTA Programs happening at Hillside to be submitted for the KrogerPlusLearning Award. If interested, please contact Stacy Christie at stacychristie@bellsouth.net.



YEARBOOKS - ORDER YOURS TODAY!

Yearbook order forms and receipts will be in your child's folder today. If you have already purchased a yearbook, you will have a receipt and an order form. Please use the order form to note if you would like to add personalization to your child's yearbook. Also, if you have taken or will take pictures at any Hillside events, please download your pictures to a disk and leave it in the yearbook box by the volunteer computer. The Yearbook Team thanks you in advance! Questions? Please e-mail Alice Brauckman - abrauckman@bellsouth.net or Melissa Stone - melissatstone@earthlink.net.



COLORING BOOK CONTEST FOR ROSWELL! It's time for the Drippy Dropperson Coloring Book Contest! Draw a picture of Drippy conserving or protecting our water resources and send it in by November 20, 2009. In December, a panel of judges will choose the top twelve drawings which will make up the coloring book. The best drawing will be on the cover! Each winner and their family and teachers will be invited to Roswell City Hall to be honored in front of Mayor and Council in the spring for the unveiling of the coloring book.

HUNGER AWARENESS—A big thank to Shana Spalding, Theresa McClean, Jennifer Boettinger, Renee Corley, Manijeh Harmon, Lisa O'Neill, Beatriz Rel, Tracy Wheeler and John Spalding for working so hard to make Hillside's Hunger Awareness Week a huge success. Our Hillside Families donated over 1500 cans of food and 85 coats to North Fulton County Charities, who were extremely grateful for the donations.



Iditarod “Jacket to Jacket” Power Boost—Students, would you like to earn Iditarod points for your participation in the Georgia Tech “Jacket to Jacket” reading program? If so, simply log your time reading on the “Jacket to Jacket” form and turn it in to your teacher by **November 23, 2009**. Your husky will jump to the next check point on the Iditarod trail.

BOOSTERTHON IS COMING!

Boosterthon Fun Run Only Three Weeks Away!

WHAT IS BOOSTERTHON? A fundraiser that's fun for our students, easy for our parents, and a HUGE success for Hillside! Prior to running laps on Fun Run day, parents help students connect with family and friend sponsors who donate a pledged amount per lap - students typically run between 25-35 laps with a lap cap of 35. Flat donations are also accepted.

During the week before the Fun Run, the Boosterthon team also briefly visits with students to promote character development and physical fitness. All students participate in the Fun Run and receive a t-shirt regardless of financial participation!

HOW IS BOOSTERTHON DIFFERENT THIS YEAR? This year, pledges will be entered online. On Pep Rally day (Nov 10), students will receive their "TOP SECRET FOLDER" with an access code for the website to enter pledges. We will provide pledge sheets for our students without computer access at home. Please remember donations are tax-deductible and corporate matching programs may apply.

For more information, please go to www.hillsidepta.com/boosterthon

