



Husky Paw Prints

"Making A Mark On Our World And Beyond"

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ITBS for Grades 3 and 5: October 24-28, 2011

Testing Time: 8:00 – 11:00

Testing Schedule:

October 24	Vocabulary/Reading Comprehension
October 25	Spelling/Capitalization/Punctuation/Usage & Expression
October 26	Math
October 27	Social Studies/Science
October 28	Maps/Reference

Make-Up Testing: Daily – as needed

Dates to Remember

October 18—21, 2011
Red Ribbon Week

October 21, 2011
"Bullies—The Musical"
4th/5th Grades

October 24th—28th
ITBS Testing

October 31, 2011
Book Character Day

November 3, 2011
Fall Picture Retakes

November 4, 2011
Science Day

November 14, 2011
7pm—Julia Bernath
Comm. Mtng. Centennial HS

November 15, 2011
2:45pm—Hillside LSAC Mtng.
5pm—FCBOE Board Mtng.
Dunwoody Springs ES

November 18, 2011
5th Grade Black/White Dance
Spirit Day

For many of us, the real stress begins when a test actually starts. Here are ten important ways to manage that stress and do your best on an exam:

1. Show up on time.
2. Stay focused and relaxed.
3. Sit comfortably.
4. Expect and accept a little bit of stress.
5. Read the directions.
6. Pace yourself.
7. Don't rush.
8. Don't get distracted.
9. Focus on the stuff you know.
10. Use all your time. And finally, one more important thing.

Once the test is over, try not to think about it for a while. Instead of worrying and fretting about what grade you might get, reward yourself for making it through the test. Go hang with your friends, or spend an afternoon doing something that makes you happy. You can't do anything to change your grade now, and more tests will come along soon, so just enjoy the fact that you're finished with one!



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HAS YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION CHANGED? IF SO, PLEASE CONTACT US ASAP! WE NEED ACCURATE INFORMATION FOR PHONE NUMBERS AND EMAILS AT ALL TIMES!



CREATIVITY AT THE SCHOOL

We are continuing to focus on creativity this week at Hillside. Although you can be creative anywhere you are and in whatever you do, we often think about creativity in music and art. Have you had a chance to check out the Hillside Music page at <http://hillsidemusic.weebly.com/index.html>. Talk about creative! In addition to giving you all the information about what your children are learning in music you can also go to the Listen and Learn section to see a video of the instrument of the week presented by Hillside's own 5th grade students. Check out the music page and then spend some time talking to your children about what they are doing in music class. There is also a new character education binder on the desk outside the media center that has copies of the work students have done with Mrs. Levin in their monthly guidance lesson. Did you know that Mrs. Levin comes to every classroom once during the month to give a special lesson on the character value for the month? Check out all the great work in the new binder the next time you're in school.

THANKING OUR SOLDIERS!



Everyone appreciates hearing the words "Thank You" and no one deserves to hear them more than the soldiers that fight for our county! The Bert Show is trying to collect 400,000 letters so that every soldier stationed or deployed outside the United States can receive a letter of gratitude on Thanksgiving Day. In the spirit of the holiday, Hillside's students and staff are busy writing thank you letters and we invite you to do the same. Ask your child about the letters they have written and then go to www.thebertshow.com for the guidelines; write a letter (or two) of your own, and send them to school with your child. Hillside's collection deadline is October 26, so that the letters can be counted, sorted, and delivered to Q100 by their October 28 deadline. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Hall at hallk@fultonschools.org. Our letters are going to put smiles on so many deserving faces!



Calling all Hillside Huskies! Let's show some Husky and Knights spirit and support Centennial High School for their 2011 Homecoming

Parade! All schools in the cluster are invited to participate in the Homecoming Parade and pre-game activities on Friday, October 21st. The elementary school with the "Most Knights Spirit" will be awarded a trophy during half time at the football game. So, wear your Hillside spirit wear and walk in the parade with the Hillside banner.

PARADE DETAILS:

The parade begins at 5:30pm on Friday, October 21st. The route is along Scott Road: starts at Hillside, goes up to CHS entrance and then back to Hillside.

Scott Road will be closed starting at 5:00pm, so meet at 4:45pm at the designated area for Hillside Elementary (CHS will have areas marked and reserved for each school participating).

There will be PRE-GAME ACTIVITIES and booths to enjoy after the parade and leading up to kickoff of the big HOMECOMING GAME: Centennial HS vs. North Forsyth at 7:30.



DID YOU KNOW?

SPLOST INFORMATION! OCTOBER 25TH!

If you've haven't had the opportunity to attend any of the meetings about SPLOST IV, Haynes Bridge Middle School is offering one more chance for you to learn about this important topic. We're offering a special Lunch & Learn on Tuesday, October 25th at 11:45A in the HBMS Media Center. Bring a sack lunch if you like and hear more about SPLOST IV.