

Hawk Talk

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Dates to Remember

9/14	First Progress Report Band Fundraiser begins
9/16	Early Release Day
9/21-9/25	8 th grade ITBS testing
9/25-27	PTA Family Portrait Event
9/28	Fall Picture Day
10/03	Flu Clinic at Centennial HS
10/14	Book Fair, media center

Beauty is.....

REFLECTIONS 2009 - 2010:

The PTA sponsored Reflections contest theme this year is "Beauty is". Students may submit entries in Literature, Music, Photography, Visual Arts, Dance Choreography and Film/Video. Students may enter as many pieces and categories as they wish. The entry forms and rules will be available in the media center or on the HBMS website. Remember, in addition to your teachers due date, all entries must be turned into the media center by Wednesday October 21st!

From the Nutrition Department

Parents (of returning Fulton County students that qualified for **free or reduced price meals** last school year) please note that as of September 21st if you have not returned a free or reduce form back to Ms. Carter your child will be charged full pay price until the form has been processed in the central office. If a parent waits until September 20th and sends in the form the system will automatically charge the child full price until the form has been processed. We advise parents not to wait until the last minute as it could take up to 10 days for the form to be processed. Notice letters have been given to the homeroom teachers of students in this category. This letter is to alert their parents of the deadline, a free and reduced form was attached to each letter.

*Any parent needing assistance may contact Ms. Carter.
Extension 156*

Hawk Talk Newsletter Goes Paperless

The Hawk Talk will only be sent to you through email and on the web site. Please be sure the school has your email address to be included. If you do not have access to a computer please send an email to hawtalk@fultonschools.org and request a paper copy be sent home with your student.

Planning to Travel? Read this First

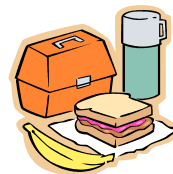
If you are planning to travel during the school year, please review your child's attendance record first. Fulton County Schools attendance policy clearly states the accepted excuses for absences and what a parent may do if he/she anticipates an absence that is not listed. Please note in order to have any planned absence excused, a letter from the parent must be submitted to the principal PRIOR to the absence. The principal may or may not approve the absence. As well, if you child has missed 10 or more total days of school, you may be asked to provide medical notes for additional absences to be considered excused. (in accordance with Fulton attendance policy). Please reconsider scheduling your family travel/vacation time to coincide with school breaks and avoid missed class time whenever possible. Thank you for your assistance in keeping your student in class for instruction.

Intramurals/Extramural Sports

When: Starting September 8th
Monday - Thursday 3:00 - 4:15PM
Where: The Gym

Note: You must have a signed permission slip, **proof of insurance** and transportation home at 4:15PM in order to participate. Low cost student insurance is available. Contact the front office for a form or Mr. Jones in room 911
Extramural soccer for 7th and 8th graders will begin soon.

See the HBMS web site for details.



Menus

<http://www.fultonschools.org/dept/schoolnutrition/>

MATHEMATICS SUPPORT FOR PARENTS:

Fulton County provides several resources for parents. These resources are available to help parents support their children from home. The Mathematics Department website has several resources (<http://www.fultonschools.org/k12/math/parent.htm>). In addition, the Mathematics Department has put together its own guide for parents: (<http://www.fultonschools.org/documents/MiddleMathCurrGuideforparentsFINAL.pdf>).

Curious About Curriculum?

Questions about Learning

Objectives? Fulton County's Learning Objectives are posted on the Fulton Schools Website, to the left, under the General Information Heading. If you would like a paper copy, please feel free to stop by the front office and ask for one. The direct link for the web-based objectives is: <http://www.fultonschools.org/DEPT/curriculum/K-12/Learning%20Objectives/index.htm>.

From Centennial High School

Environmental Club needs your donations!

Croc's Recycling Event:

September 11th and 23rd at the Football Games.

Please bring your old Croc's to the game to donate to charity.

They will be chopped, melted and reformed into new

Croc's which will be given to impoverished children around the world.

Our Goal is 1000 pairs! Ask your friends and family to donate too! Thanks

Do you have a GO CART that you can donate to the Environmental Club?

We would like to CONVERT a go cart to run on ALTERNATIVE ENERGY for a CONTEST. We could also mechanical advice on this project.

Contact Julie Burroughs, or an environmental club member for more information at burroughs@fultonschools.org Thanks for supporting the Environmental Club!

Knights Color Guard Welcomes 8th Grade Students!

WHAT DO WE DO?

We twirl flags, dance, and have a good time alongside our Mighty Marching Knights.

We have one band with two components. You could choose the Performance component, which participates in Varsity Football game half time shows, pep rallies, and parades. Or you could add a lot of heart and also be in the Competitive component, which will compete in band exhibitions & competitions, in state and out of state. Either way, color guard is the way to go!

HOW DO YOU GET A CHANCE TO SEE WHAT COLOR GUARD IS LIKE?

Come out to 8th Grade Night Friday, September 11!

Register at www.chsknightsband.com

(click on Members/Boosters, then click on 8th grade night....in the box for instrument, type GUARD)

HBMS PTA

**Please visit the new PTA website: www.holcombbridgepta.com

Don't forget to join PTA. Visit holcombbridgepta.com for membership forms. Remember to relink your Kroger card to Holcomb Bridge Middle School. This must be done every school year. It is very easy, they do this right at checkout.

2009-2010 PTA Board:

Lynda Andrews, President lyndaandrews@comcast.net

Suzette Brennan, Membership hsbbrennan@bellosuth.net

Sally Foster

The Sally Foster fundraiser has ended, and all orders must be turned in to the office by Friday, September 11th.

However, online orders can be made through out the school year. Just use the account # for Holcomb Bridge 507969, and our school still gets 50% of the purchase.

Thanks to all of the Holcomb Bridge families that supported this important fundraiser!

Family Portrait Fundraiser

HBMS and Tanner Photography team up for the annual fundraiser form September 25-27th in the school cafeteria. For only \$20.00, you will receive an 11x14 professional print. Additional portraits will be available to order or purchase including canvas wall portraits and Holiday cards. To sign up contact Connie Martin at 770-552-9733 or martinconnie@charter.net

New Redesigned Holcomb Bridge MS web site!

www.fultonschools.org/school/holcombbridge

6th grade go to <http://www.twip.glencoe.com>

For students

Username: twip2005

Password: z5tequ2u

Select the book, then select 2005 as the Copyright year.

7th grade go to <http://my.hrw.com>

For students

Username: hbmsga

Password: hbms1

8TH grade go to <http://mystatehistory.com/> follow the prompts for Georgia

For students

Password: ga11hist

Science, <http://my.hrw.com>

6thUsername: 6thgrade11

6thPassword: excellence

7thUsername: 7thgrade7

7thPassword: excellence

8thUsername: 8thgrade8

8thPassword: excellence

Language Arts, <http://my.hrw.com>

6thUsername: 6thgrade8

6thPassword: excellence

7thUsername: 7thgrade6

7thPassword: excellence

8thUsername: 8thgrade7

8thPassword: excellence

World Language

Students can check out a CD from their World Lang Teachers

Mathematics

All on-level courses:

Pearson/Prentice-Hall

www.pearsonsuccessnet.com

Username: hbmsparents

Password: excellence

All advanced courses:

Holt Mathematics

<http://my.hrw.com>

Username: hbmsparents

Password: excellence