

# Hawk Talk

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## Holcomb Bridge Middle School



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### Dates to Remember

**Weekly:** Mon. and Thurs. Extended Learning  
Tues. and Wed. H.A.W.K.

12/16 -12/18 Final Exams

12/21- 1/4 Winter Break

1/13 7<sup>th</sup> gr. Basketball game @Webb Bridge

1/15 7<sup>th</sup> gr. Basketball vs. Sandy Springs

1/18 Martin Luther King Day

1/20 Science Fair

1/28 6:30 Academic Excellence Night

*The staff of Holcomb Bridge Middle School wishes each of you a healthy and happy holiday season! Thank you for the opportunity to work with your children.*

### JR Knights

Basketball and Cheer Knight  
1<sup>st</sup> Annual Hoops & Holler

For boys and girls ages 5-12

Saturday December 9<sup>th</sup> 5:00- 10:00 pm in the Centennial  
HS GYM

To register email: [chscheers@bellsouth.net](mailto:chscheers@bellsouth.net)  
Fee: \$45.00 includes T-Shirt, dinner and snacks



### HBMS Excellence in Musicianship!

Congratulations to  
Keller Steinson  
Thomas Long  
and  
Bea Dias  
who were selected for the  
GMEA District 5 Honors Band!!

### Holiday Luncheons with Friends and Family

What a wonderful event! Thank you to all those who helped make the luncheons possible. Mrs. Carter and her staff prepared delicious meals. The PTA provided festive table decorations. Family and friends enjoyed a chance to visit our school in a relaxed and comfortable setting. Thank you to all who took the time out of their busy schedules to attend.

### Coming in January...

The ING Run for Something Better Program!  
Come run a half marathon with your friends and make yourself healthier for it. More details to follow after the holiday break.



### HBMS Annual Spelling Bee

It's coming! Get ready for the upcoming  
HBMS School Spelling Bee  
2 weeks after we return from the Holiday Break...  
Friday, January 15, 2010  
In the School Media Center

### Second Annual Staff Volunteer Effort for North Fulton Community Charities

On Thursday December 3<sup>rd</sup> the HBMS staff gathered at NFCC to donate their time to helping prepare for those in need this holiday season. Food and other supplies were also donated. The spirit was jolly as we experienced the joy of knowing we have made a difference in lives of children and families!

### Student Council Spirit Days

Today is our first Spirit Day for this year.  
6<sup>th</sup> graders dressed in 1960's style, 7<sup>th</sup> graders in 70's and 8<sup>th</sup> grade 80's style.  
The next spirit day will be January 29<sup>th</sup> which will be Super Bowl Sports Day.  
February 26<sup>th</sup> Twin Day,  
March Book Character Day  
April 15 Dress for Success Day  
April 30<sup>th</sup> Blue and White Day  
May 21<sup>st</sup> Mismatch Day  
Let's have fun but remember  
Dress code principles always apply.

## Social Studies Fair

The results are in!

The ten HBMS finalists are:

Karen Zhang...What is the social impact of unemployment?

Alexandria Myer...How Anne Frank changed history

Grace Frericks...Apartheid in South Africa

Stacey Freeman...Tibet - China Conflict

Tiffany Moo - Young...Global Warming the affects on polar bears

Allison Eames...Cellphone Radiation

Matthew Harries...How can we solve the problem of global warming?

Rebecca Knezek...Whaling

Cyra Malec...Salem Witch Trials

Sharalyn Smookler...Community Choice Act; how does it affect you?

**Congratulations to all the participants who did an incredible job researching and presenting this year!**

The **ICARE** word for December was Perseverance  
Let's encourage our students to persevere, an often essential skill for success at school and in life.  
The word for January will be **Caring**.

## Reading Challenge!

All HBMS students may participate in the Wrestlemania Reading Challenge by picking up a log sheet in the media center and reading 10 items by January 19<sup>th</sup>. Students who complete a log are then eligible to enter the HBMS "Why Reading is Important" Bookmark Contest. Prizes will include Best Buy certificates for the top three winners. "Unlock your Imagination!"



## Meal Pay Plus is Back!

Managing your student's meal account just got easier!

Starting in mid January you will once again be able to register for online or telephone payment.

Visit [www.mealpayplus.com](http://www.mealpayplus.com)

Follow the on-screen instructions to create an account. Add your student using their student ID number. The system allows you to auto-pay your student's account and sends messages when your account is low. You can also monitor the balance 24/7 and see what your child has purchased. (see attached flyers for more info.)



## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls/Boys Basketball Schedule

Jan. 13 Webb Bridge **Away**

Jan. 15 Sandy Springs **Home**

Jan. 20 Taylor Road **Home**

Jan. 22 River Trail **Away**

Jan. 27 Autrey Mill **Home**

Jan. 29 Haynes Bridge **Away**

All games begin at 5 p.m. Girls play first

Go Hawks!



## HBMS PTA

[www.holcombbridgepta.com](http://www.holcombbridgepta.com)

**It's not too late to join the PTA.**

**Visit [holcombbridgepta.com](http://holcombbridgepta.com) for membership forms.**

We will have another drawing for Front Row Parking & Front Row Seating for the next Music Events in December and then again in the Spring. If you have any questions, please email

Suzette Brennan [hsbbrennan@bellsouth.net](mailto:hsbbrennan@bellsouth.net) Membership

or Lynda Andrews [lyndaandrews@comcast.net](mailto:lyndaandrews@comcast.net) President.

Fulton School Year Calendar 2010-2011

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