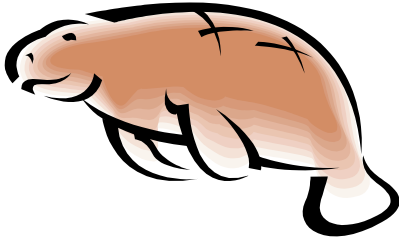


"Where Learning Unites Us"



# Manatee Messenger

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**Mimosa Elementary School's mission is to educate and challenge students to reach their academic potential.**

## Upcoming Events

**Smile!** Picture day is  
Tuesday, Oct. 13

### Early Release Day

October 14. Students are dismissed at 11:30 am.

### Reflection Entries

There is still time to participate in the PTA sponsored Reflections program. Entries are due October 16. Information is available in the front office.

### PTA Fall Fundraiser

This year, the fall fundraiser sponsored by PTA is called Original Works. Mimosa's art department has been working with the children on creating original art work that can be reproduced on various items. The artwork for parents to preview should go home on October 16th and should be returned turn to school by October 26th. Order forms and additional information will be sent

Dear Parents,

We have been so pleased with your participation in a couple of very important activities at Mimosa recently. Around 100 parents took time from busy schedules to join us for our "Meet Mimosa Night" on October 1. In addition, our halls have been filled the past couple of weeks with parents making time for valuable conversations with our teachers concerning their child's learning progress. Building relationships with the school is a win-win situation for our students, and it is the best way to find out what your child is expected to know and be able to do this year. If you were unable to attend a conference with your child's teacher, please make that a priority this month.

We have some other activities that are coming your way that we have included in the newsletter today. I know you will want to mark your calendar for the Mini-Book Fair and picture day. Also, very soon, PTA will be kicking off their fall fund-raiser and sharing plans for the October 31 Fun Run scheduled for Riverside Park. These are all activities that allow you to "Be There" for your child, and we know you won't want to miss them! I certainly won't! See you in the halls soon, *Mrs. Williams*

### The Book Fair is Coming!!

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Mimosa Thursday and Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. The hours are 8:00-3:00. Book fair flyers went home at the beginning of October. This is a mini book fair to celebrate the release of the 4<sup>th</sup> book in the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series, but there will be a great selection of other books to choose from, as well. If you would like to volunteer to work the book fair (helping students count their money and choose appropriate selections), please contact Ms. McAtee at 770-552-4540, ext. 148, or [mcatee@fultonschools.org](mailto:mcatee@fultonschools.org). Thank you, as always, for your support.

### Bus Driver Appreciation

National School Bus Safety Week is October 19-23, 2009. This year, the theme is "Cross in View, It's the Right Thing to Do!" A special thank you is planned for our drivers on October 19th. The following donated items may be sent to the office for the drivers: paper towels, glass cleaner, tissues, hand sanitizer or Lysol spray.

### CRCT Clinic

Title I invites you to attend a CRCT & GHS GT Clinic for parents. Come and be informed on what you need to know about CRCT & GHS GT exams and how to help your child with test taking. The workshop will be Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am-1:00pm. Registration forms are coming home today.

### Roswell Youth Day Parade

What a wonderful time at the Roswell Youth Day Parade we had this year. Although all the "heroes" honored were very special to us, it was particularly heartwarming to see moms and dads as "heroes" for their children.

As expected, our float was **exceptional** with about 25 children dressed as their heroes and just about as many staff members and friends as escorts. Competition was extremely stiff this year, and we felt quite honored to walk away with a second place trophy in the Elementary School Division.

Our thanks to our float committee chaired by Ms. Lattanze and Ms. Sudduth (kindergarten) for their great work in organizing this project. It was an old-fashioned float building experience we know our students will remember for a long time.

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