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TIGER-CONNECTION
— YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL —

Tiger Connection - February 2, 2023

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Principal's Message



SDE Families,

It has been a great week of learning this week at school! This week our 3rd graders ventured to the Tellus Museum for an amazing field trip. Our kindergarten students have been learning all about living and non-living organisms.

I have had the pleasure of going into classrooms to read our book of the year, *The Word Collector*, with classes again. This time around I have reinforced the idea of building our vocabulary because as we have said, "Amazing Words Happen Here!" With our K-1 students they were given a set of words after the story to categorize. It was eye opening to watch them work with their peers and generate their own categories,

they did an amazing job! Our 2-5 students were asked to identify an unfamiliar word and dig into the meaning, examples, and non-examples. Make sure to ask your tiger what new word they have learned with Ms. Rosenthal!

As always, please feel free to reach out with any questions, celebrations, or concerns.

In Partnership,
Jennifer Rosenthal

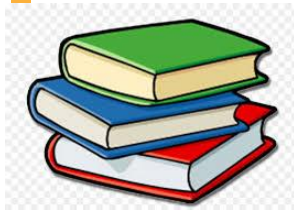
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Did Someone Say BINGO?

Mark your calendars for a great family outing complete with dinner, baked items & concessions. **BINGO night is Friday, February 10th at 6:00pm!** This 5th grade fundraiser is a fun night out for the whole family!

If you have not already secured your BINGO packet and dinner, you can purchase them at the door.

PRIZE DONATIONS: We're still looking for prize donations so that every winner receives a prize! Each prize item should cost between \$5 - \$15 and be a new item in good condition. We've made it even easier to donate by starting an [Amazon Wish List](#) or contributing via Venmo (@SpaldingelemPTO)! If you'd prefer to shop on your own, some suggestions: board games, craft kits, sports items, gift cards, books, or art supplies. Drop your gift donations in the big box just inside the front door of the school.



February Reading Challenge

Parents, the month of February is "I ♥ 2 Read" Month at Spalding. Your child will be able to participate in a Beanstack challenge called "Find Your Sweet Read," where they can earn prizes by earning badges for logging reading and other reading-related activities. They can do these at home or at school, as

long as they have access to Classlink. There will be weekly winners and four grand prize winners at the end of the month. Please help encourage your child be their "reading best" during February. Click on the link below for more information about the challenge.

<https://www.fultonschools.org/Page/26737>



Parents' Night Out - March 3

The 2023 Parents' Night out WITH Silent Auction is happening on Friday, March 3rd at Mutation Brewing. We haven't seen a lot of each other in-real-life for the past few years, so let's bring it together for some loud fun and silent bidding!

Details:

Friday, March 3rd • 7pm-10pm

Mutation Brewing - 5825 Roswell Rd NE, Sandy Springs

FREE PARKING AVAILABLE IN THE PARKING LOT

This is an adult only event (must be 21 to enter!) so be sure to book your babysitter for the night! You won't want to miss out on this opportunity to socialize with other SDE parents, enjoy delicious beer + food, and bid on cool stuff for you and your kiddos. All while listening to live music and supporting Spalding Drive!

We're already getting a great catalog of impressive offerings for the Silent Auction - think gift cards to restaurants/businesses, special deals for kids' activities, unique teacher experiences, exclusive SDE student art and some surprises - so be sure to grab your ticket early!

Tickets are now on sale: [HERE](#)

\$35 SINGLE TICKET: Entry for (1) person, (1) custom Spalding branded stadium cup, (2) drink tickets, and the opportunity to bid auction items

\$60 COUPLES TICKET: Entry for (2) people, (2) custom Spalding branded stadium cups, (4) drink tickets, and the opportunity to bid on auction items

Pre-Purchasing tickets is encouraged, as prices will increase at the door: \$45 SINGLE / \$80 COUPLE

Additional drink tickets will be available at the event for \$5 each!

We're always looking for in-kind donations from local businesses, so please let us know if you have any interest in donating to the silent auction! Contact Logan with any questions: logan.w.holman@gmail.com



NEW! Spalding's Paws-Cast

The fourth-grade T.A.G. students are starting a podcast for the school and will be answering any questions that students ask. All your kids have to do is fill out a form and put it in one of our podcast boxes. Some examples of interesting questions are: Why do t-rex have little arms? Why is the sky blue? Or whatever else has been keeping you up at night. Our podcast boxes are located at the front of the school, cafeteria, library, gym, music room, and art room. You can also submit your questions using [Microsoft Forms](#) or [Flipgrid](#). An update with the podcast will be sent so that you can hear the answers to your questions.



SDE International Night

We are excited to announce the return of an exciting SDE event—International Night. SDE's International Night will be held on **March 22, 2023**. The SDE community will come together to enjoy displays created by families to honor different nations and share stories, food, customs, and apparel unique to each culture. This year the Chorus will also be performing a selection of songs from around the world. Our amazing art teacher, Ms. Mills, will also have her art showcase. This will feature incredible work by all students. The artwork will represent different artistic traditions of a variety of cultures and will be framed and available for purchase.

SDE students come from many different birth countries, and countless other nations are represented by our students' friends and family. We invite each of you to participate and celebrate your heritage by creating a display to reflect the culture of a country special to you and your family. This event has been a great success in the past thanks to

community support and participation. To restart this outstanding night and tradition, we need your help! Please complete the form below no later than February 10th if you are interested in helping in any way. Please understand that if you express interest in International Night by completing this form, SDE staff planning International Night will share your contact information with others who have expressed interest in creating a display for the same country.

More specific guidelines about displays will be provided closer to the date of the event, but if you have any questions, feel free to contact [Jennifer Rosenthal](#) or [Jeanne Shivers](#).

[International Night Sign-Up Form](#)

RIDGEVIEW CHARTER MIDDLE SCHOOL

Welcome Rising 6th Grade!

WE'VE PLANNED A VARIETY OF TRANSITION EVENTS TO WELCOME YOUR STUDENT AND FAMILY INTO THE RIDGEVIEW UNITED COMMUNITY

COURSE SCHEDULING 101 INFO MEETING: 2/2 IN PERSON AT 6:00-RCMS CAFETERIA

PARENT INFO MEETING - "ALL THINGS 6TH GRADE": 2/23 IN PERSON AT 6:00-RCMS GYM

STUDENT-ONLY RISING 6TH GRADE FIELD TRIP TO RCMS: 3/23 WITH 5TH GRADE CLASSES & TEACHERS

RIDGEVIEW CHARTER MIDDLE SCHOOL

¡Bienvenido a Sexto Grado!

HEMOS PLANEADO UNA VARIEDAD DE EVENTOS PARA DAR LA BIENVENIDA A SU ESTUDIANTE Y SU FAMILIA A LA COMUNIDAD UNIDA DE RIDGEVIEW

REUNIÓN DE INFORMACIÓN DE PROGRAMACIÓN DEL CURSO: 2/2 LAS 6:00 EN PERSONA A LAS 6:00 - CAFETERÍA RCMS

REUNIÓN DE INFORMACIÓN PARA PADRES DE 6º GRADO: 2/23 EN PERSONA A LAS 6:00 RCMS GYM

EXCURSIÓN ESTUDIANTIL A RCMS: 3/23 CON CLASES DE 5TO GRADO Y MAESTRAS



Milestones Testing Dates

Milestones Testing for all students in grades 3-5 will begin May 3rd. The schedule for daily testing is below:

Date	Subject
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May 3rd	ELA: Part 1
May 4th	ELA: Part 2
May 5th	ELA: Part 3
May 10th	Math: Part 1
May 11th	Math: Part 2
May 12th	Science (5 th Grade Only)

If you are interested in experiencing this assessment yourself, or providing your child with additional practice, you may access a sample at www.gaexperienceonline.com.

For more details about this assessment, you can join us at the Principals' Coffee Chat on March 22nd at 8:00 in our Media Center.

Looking Ahead

Friday, February 10

[5:30p Bingo Night](#)

Monday, February 20

[President's Day \(school closed\)](#)

Tuesday, February 21

[Professional Development Day](#)

[Professional Development Day \(students off\)](#)

Thursday, March 2

[Read Across America Day/ PJ Day](#)

Friday, March 3

[SDE Parents Night Out and Auction](#)

Tuesday, March 14

[Professional Development Day \(students off\)](#)

[Teacher Workday \(students off\)](#)

[PTO-Sponsored Staff Breakfast](#)

Monday, March 27

[Staff Appreciation Week](#)

Quick Links



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Sandy Springs, GA