# DOLVIN DIARY

**MARCH 12, 2020** 

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Dolvin Families,

Last night we received additional guidance from the district prompting us to limit our volunteers and visitors as an added precaution. We were advised by the district to limit all "non-essential" volunteers and visitors. The elementary principals in the Northeast Learning Community (NELC) worked diligently to align our practices keeping the safety of our students and staff at the forefront of our decisions. Be advised, as an additional precaution, schools will not be allowing lunch visitors and/or "non-essential" volunteers until further notice.

Given the increasing concerns over the Covid-19 Coronavirus, we are prepared for a short or long-term closure of school. We do not know at this time when or if we will need to close. However, we want to let you know our plans for continuing school if we were to have a closure.

If we have a closure, we will switch instruction from the classroom to our Extended Digital Day plan. If an Extended Digital Day Plan is implemented, the district will activate a website and hotline to assist students and parents with troubleshooting any digital access issues. At that time, the website link and hotline number will appear on the district homepage at <a href="https://www.fultonschools.org">www.fultonschools.org</a>. We will post on our school website (Dolvin.org) as well.

Our primary method of instruction will be teacher assigned lessons which will be communicated through email. Teachers will be reviewing this expectation with students so they will be prepared. In some cases, teachers will use various platforms to deliver activities. Be assured, students are familiar with and have used these platforms in school. In other cases, teachers will post assignments and resources for students to work on non-digitally. Student work will be approximately 60 minutes per day for K-2 and 90 minutes per day for grades 3-5.

Specials, such as Art, Music, and PE, are more difficult to complete when away from school. For these classes, how teachers handle them will depend on the length and timing of a closure. Teachers will try to be as creative as they can to make the best of the circumstances. To support our students social and emotional needs during extended time away from school, Fulton County has also developed social emotional lessons for students in grades 3-12 that will be delivered once a week.

In closing, as we all know, remote learning plans do not provide the same rigor and quality as face-to-face instruction. Fulton County will only use this as a last resort. Our goal will be to continue moving forward with your child's education making the most of the resources available to us. Please contact me or your child's teachers if you have any specific questions. As always, on behalf of all the faculty and staff at Dolvin, we truly appreciate your support and the privilege of partnering with you in educating your children.

Sincerely,

Karen Cooke Principal



Dolvin Parent Letter 3-12-20.pdf



# ATTENTION PARENTS OF RISING 6TH GRADE STUDENTS

To prevent any delay in registering your child for middle school, please check with your family physician to ensure your child has received all the required immunizations for middle school. Your child is also required to have a complete Eye, Ear & Dental Certificate on file.

Please bring all completed forms to Nancy Adams in Dolvin's front office. These certificates will be placed in our child's permanent record to be turned over to the middle school at the end of the school year. If you obtain these forms during the summer, you will need to take them directly to the middle school.

If you have questions, call Nancy Adams at 470-254-9279.

# 2020 - 2021 REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS

All parents of new students must **first** enroll their child online at <a href="https://www.fultonschools.org/enrollment">https://www.fultonschools.org/enrollment</a>. **Secondly**, they must contact Nancy Adams at <a href="mailto:adamsn@fultonschools.org">adamsn@fultonschools.org</a> or call 470-254-9279 to set up an appointment to complete the enrollment.

Ms. Adams will be taking appointments for:

Wednesday, April 1, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Thursday, April 2, between 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

## KINDERGARTEN MUSICAL DATE CHANGE!

On behalf of the music department, we would like to reach out to let you know that we will need to reschedule the Kindergarten Musical from April 2nd to March 30th.

## CAFETERIA

Click <u>here</u> for the cafeteria menu. Be sure you're looking at the menu for Dolvin Elementary School.

There are no lunch visitors allowed at this time.

Did you know you can find out your student's lunch time at **Dolvin.org**?

## **MEDIA CENTER**

Please click the link below to learn more about what is going on in our Media Center!

http://dolvinmedia.weebly.com/mc-news

# DOLVIN CHESS TEAMS QUALIFIES FOR STATE FINALS

On Feb 22, 2020, Dolvin's K-3 chess team won the Fulton County championship and also placed first at the East Metro State Qualifier tournament. As a result, they will compete in the State Finals Championship this upcoming weekend. The trophies from their victories are proudly displayed in our media center. Please join me in congratulating the team for these outstanding accomplishments and good luck for this upcoming weekend.

The team members are: Ethan Hobby, 1st grade Arnav Rao, 2nd grade Theodore Zhang, 2nd grade Andrew Jiang, 3rd grade Andy Liu, 3rd grade Molly Xu, 3rd grade

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## SCHOOL GOVERNANCE COUNCIL

School Governance Council elections will take place March 17th-24th. Please click <a href="here">here</a> to learn about the candidates hoping to fill two Dolvin open parent-representative positions. A unique link will be sent to your email on March 17th with details on how to vote.

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

## Friday, March 13th

Teacher Workday - Students Off

### Tuesday, March 24th

Teacher Workday - Students Off

### Wednesday, March 25th

School Store, 7:10 a.m., Double Hallway

### Thursday, March 26th

CANCELLED: Rising 6th Grade Parent Meeting. They will have a presentation online at a later date. We will keep you posted.

### Monday, March 30th

Kindergarten Musical, 6:00 p.m., Cafeteria

### Friday, April 3rd

**Dolvin Spirit Day** 

### Monday, April 6th, through Friday, April 10th

Spring Break - School Closed

# AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS CANCELLED FOR NEXT WEEK

All non-childcare afterschool programs are cancelled for next week, March 16th, through March 20th. Tutorshop and Y Afterschool are still scheduled to meet.

