



BARNWELL ELEMENTARY

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Fulton
County Schools
Where Students Come First

A Note from the Principal, Martin Neuhaus

March 10, 2022

New Information

No School on March 11th and March 14th

Fulton County Schools will be closed for students tomorrow (Friday, March 11th) for a Teacher Workday and Monday (March 14th) for a Fulton County Professional Development Day. The Fulton County calendar for the rest of the school year is available [here](#).

Covid Updates

This week's [Epidemiology Report](#) has Johns Creek at 103.1. This is a 111.6-point drop from last week and great progress for our community! Visitors and volunteers are allowed back at Barnwell in non-instructional places; once the Incidence Rate drops below 100, we can reinstitute Mystery Readers and classroom visitors!

Masks are optional for ALL students, staff, and visitors on campus/buses unless an individual is Covid-positive. Visit our county [Covid website here](#) for details.

Helping Hands End Hunger

WOW! Our Helping Hands Ending Hunger is off to a great start! During the last two weeks we have collected and donated over **400 pounds** of food items that would have otherwise been thrown away. Many thanks to Jennifer Gruher and Jen Meyrowitz for championing this initiative us as well as all our volunteers for helping each day. Students now have the opportunity to donate uneaten food/drink instead of throwing it away. Items collected are picked up by North Fulton Community Charities each week.

We are still looking for volunteers – if you are able to help during breakfast (7:15 – 7:50) or lunch (multiple shifts available) one or more days in the next few weeks, please click [here](#) to volunteer and click [here](#) for more information about Helping Hands. *As a reminder all volunteers must complete the Volunteer Protocol [here](#) prior to volunteering.*



Georgia Milestones End of Grade Testing – Save the Dates!

All 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students are required to take the GA Milestones end of year assessment this year. Our school “score” will be dependent upon having 95% or more of our students take the assessment – please take a few minutes to listen to our school superintendent discuss the upcoming Milestones and new requirements in their [Let’s Talk School! Testing edition](#).

Our Milestones testing will be held May 4th – May 6th (English/Language Arts) and May 10th – May 11th (Math) and May 12th Science (5th grade only). For more information on the Milestones Assessments and review opportunities visit our [Academics](#) page on our website.

Please make every effort to ensure your child is at school during our Milestones Assessment so we can get full credit for the mandatory Participation Requirement!

Kindergarten and New Student Registration

Kindergarten and New Student Registration for the 2022-2023 school year has begun. Parents/Guardians of new students will complete the online registration application [here](#). If your child is currently enrolled in Pre-K at Barnwell Elementary, you **do not** need to register your child for kindergarten. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Registration for Barnwell’s Pre-K Lottery – Closes 3/18!

We are expecting to have two PreK classes next year at Barnwell. Our Lottery Registration is open March 1st to March 18th with our lottery scheduled for March 30th. For additional information and the link to register please click [here](#).

Physical Education News

As part of your child’s Physical Education program, Barnwell Elementary School is preparing to participate in the FITNESSGRAM physical fitness assessment. The FITNESSGRAM is designed to assess aerobic capacity, muscular strength and endurance, flexibility, and body composition and is given throughout all Fulton County schools.

The following FITNESSGRAM assessments will be used to measure the various areas of health-related fitness: PACER (cardiovascular endurance), Push-Up (upper body strength and endurance), Curl-Up (abdominal strength and endurance), Back-Saver Sit and Reach (flexibility), and Body Mass Index (body composition). These assessments are used to help students set fitness goals. For information regarding the FITNESSGRAM assessment, please refer to www.fitnessgram.net or email our PE teacher at kennedyr@fultonschools.org.

Barnwell International Night – March 31st

Barnwell PTO is excited to announce the return of International Night! Mark your calendars for Thursday, March 31st from 5:00 PM-7:00 PM. Volunteer to showcase your country and culture or join a committee to help organize the event. Please use sign-up genius to register now!

[International Night "Booth Sign-up"](#)

[International Night "Volunteer Sign-up"](#)

Father/Daughter Dance – March 25th

Our Father/Daughter Dance this year is Friday, March 25th from 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM in the Barnwell Cafeteria. For more information, for the flyer, please click [here](#) and to order tickets, please click [here](#).

Volunteers are also needed for the Father/Daughter Dance. Please click [here](#) to help set up and clean up for this wonderful evening of fun.

Barnwell's Best Award!

Each week our team recognizes a staff member that exemplifies Barnwell's BEST – someone who leads by example, sharing their positive energy and enthusiasm with our school family. This week's Barnwell's BEST Recipient is **Kerry O'Connor, IRR Teacher.**

Congratulations to **Kerry O'Connor** for being one of Barnwell's BEST!



Recurring School and Community News

Rising 6th Grade Upcoming Parent Nights

Haynes Bridge Middle School will be offering a parent night for families tonight to provide information about their school and special programs. The Spanish speaking information session begins at 5:15 PM, and the general information and tour will occur from 6:15 PM-7:30 PM in the school gymnasium. Please see more information about the upcoming parent night flyer and agenda.

- [Haynes Bridge Parent Night Flyer](#)
- [Haynes Bridge Parent Night Spanish Flyer](#)
- [Haynes Bridge Parent Night Agenda](#)

Autrey Mill Middle School will be offering a parent night for families on Wednesday, April 27th from 6:00 PM-7:00 PM. Look for more information to come from AMMS in a future Newsletter.

STEM Camp 2022

Calling all Scientists, STEM camp 2022 is going to be a blast! Save the dates: June 20th -24th & June 27th -July 1st. Camps are open to all K-5 students! Camp will be at Newtown Park from 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM. Sign-up information will be coming out soon! Contact Alicia Mavridoglou mavridoglou@fultonschools.org or Katie Stiers stiersk@fultonschools.org with any questions.

Autrey Mill Nature Center – March 11th

Looking for something to do on our next teacher workday? On Friday, March 11th our Barnwell Bears and their parents are invited to help clean up the animal enclosures at the Autrey Mill Nature Preserve. This is a fun way to spend some time outside in nature giving back to our community.

It is important that all children come with an adult volunteer to help them out. Please be sure that everyone is appropriately dressed for the weather and cleaning out animal enclosures. You must RSVP to attend, so please click [here](#) and be sure to note all adults and children in your group.

If you have questions, please contact Cynthia Keeler cynthiakay7@gmail.com.

School Nutrition to begin accepting Meal Eligibility Applications

Fulton County's School Nutrition Program is now processing Free and Reduced-Price Meal applications. By completing an application, it may help you to qualify for P-EBT Benefits for next year, however, it is unknown at this time if P-EBT benefits will be extended for another year. Thanks to USDA waivers, students will continue to receive school meals at no charge this school year. Visit www.fulton.schoollunchapp.com to begin the online application.

Yearbooks

Yearbooks are still available for \$35 and can be purchased online at www.balfour.com. The Yearbook Committee wants to see your child's SPIRIT WEAR (or other) photos! Show your child's Barnwell Spirit with their favorite Barnwell spirit wear. Uploading is free and easy. Simply use the FREE Image Share app to upload them directly onto our secure site or visit <https://studio.balfour.com/ezpix/>

TO UPLOAD PHOTOS FROM YOUR MOBILE DEVICE:

- Search for Balfour Image Share in your app marketplace
- Download the app and create an account
- Enter our project number: **222281** (no upload code needed)

If you have any questions, please contact The Barnwell Yearbook Committee (Paige Wuyek paige.wuyek@gmail.com).

Student Checkout

As a reminder, a Driver's License ID or Government ID is required for all student checkouts. When checking out a student early, please send in a [Dismissal Change Form](#) to your child's teacher.

Important Dates

Event	Date	Time	Location
Teacher Work Day	March 11	No School Students	
Professional Development Day	March 14	No School Students	
Pre-K Registration	March 1-18		Online
Early Release Day	March 21	12:20 PM dismissal	
New Student Registration	Ongoing		Online
Father/Daughter Dance	March 25	6:30 PM-8:30 PM	Cafeteria
Pre-K Lottery	March 30		Barnwell
International Night	March 31	5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Backfield
All Pro Dad's Breakfast	April 1	6:45 AM-7:30 AM	Cafeteria
Spring Break	April 4-8	School Closed	
PTO Sky Zone Spirit Night	April 14	4:00 PM-8:00 PM	Sky Zone
Principal Coffee	April 21	8:00 AM-9:00 AM	Cafe
5 th Grade Mexican Fiesta	April 22	6:30 PM-8:30 PM	Cafe
GA Milestone Testing	May 4-6	3rd – 5th ELA	
GA Milestone Testing	May 10-11	3rd – 5th Math	
GA Milestone Testing	May 12	5th Science	
PTO Papa Johns Spirit Night	May 5	4:00 PM-Close	Papa Johns
All Pro Dad's Breakfast	May 6	6:45 AM-7:30 AM	Café
Barnival (Spring Carnival)	May 6	5:00 PM-8:00 PM	Backfield
Sky Zone Spirit Night	May 19	4:00 PM-8:00 PM	

Quick Links:

[Attendance Options](#)

[Bus Information](#)

[Car Rider Information](#)

[Dismissal Form](#)

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