

Shark Bytes

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A Message from the Shakerag PTO:

BINGO NIGHT IS TONIGHT!

The Silent Auction ends **TONIGHT at 9 a.m.!** Go to new.biddingowl.com/shakeragpto to get those winning bids in! All pre-purchased Bingo items will be available for pick-up at the door. Bingo Packages will be organized by the last name of the person purchased under. Please help us move the line quickly & pick up your food quickly so we can get to playing BINGO and winning PRIZES!

If you did not purchase tickets & items in advance, we will be selling Bingo Packages at the door on a first come, first serve basis depending on capacity limitations. Typically, the 2nd session is a little less busy so that may be your best bet for entry. We will do our best to accommodate as many people as we can but please understand if we have to turn you away.

RAFFLE WINNERS will be pulled after Session 2. You do not need to be present to win but **PLEASE put your NAME & PHONE NUMBER on the back of the Raffle Ticket** so we can contact you if you win. **WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE EVERYONE TONIGHT!!**



Shark Tales:


Red Ribbon Week (October 23-27) – Sponsored by our Counseling Department

Red Ribbon Week is an alcohol, tobacco, and other drug and violence prevention awareness campaign observed annually in October in the United States. At Shakerag, we communicate to our students the importance of making mindful and healthy choices in their lives, about respecting yourself, and respecting others. The National theme for this week is: **Be Kind to Your Mind. Live Drug Free.**

You can use the following topics as conversation starters at home.

- **Monday (10/23)- Wear Red Day:** We will talk about wearing red to remind students and adults to respect themselves and others, regardless of their differences.
- **Tuesday (10/24)-Your Future is BRIGHT:** Wear bright neon colors to show how bright our future is.
- **Wednesday (10/25)- Team Day (wear your favorite team jersey or attire):** We are all wearing our favorite team jersey or attire because, at Shakerag, we are all part of a team. We are each responsible for making healthy choices for ourselves, but we can also provide encouragement and support to our teammates so that they, too, can make healthy choices. When we work together to make healthy choices, we show respect for ourselves AND others.
- **Thursday (10/26)- Wear Wild Socks to Sock it to Drugs:** Wear your wildest socks today! You can talk about how dangerous it is to use drugs and the importance of being drug-free.
- **Friday (10/27)- Characters of Success:** Come dressed as your favorite storybook character or role model to remind us of what we aspire to be (We can't wait to see everyone's favorite characters and role models! As a reminder, no costume masks, props, inflatables, or inappropriate clothing are allowed. Children should be able to fully participate in the school day (recess, P.E., etc.))

Registration for the 2023 Student Technology Competition is now open!

All the information and details can be found on the [FCS Student Technology Competition website](#). The registration form can be accessed  [here](#) and turned in to Mrs. Francis in the media center by **Thursday, October 26.**

Picture Retakes – Thursday, October 26

Fall picture retakes will be **Thursday, October 26.** If you were not happy with your child's fall picture, please send the original picture package and a note in with your child on Wednesday, October 25 so their teacher can have them get their picture retaken on Thursday. If your child was absent on our original picture day, or if they are new, we would like for your child to get their picture taken as well for the yearbook.

SORA Junior for grades K - 2

The Media services Department has just added a new reading resource for our Kindergarten - 2nd grade students and families. Introducing SORA Jr., an online digital library of e-books, audiobooks and magazines specifically curated for our younger readers. Students can find SORA Jr. on Classlink under the "e-library" icon.

A Message from the Shakerag Foundation

Movie Night – CANCELED

We are so sad to share that we are having to cancel our Movie Night that was scheduled for Friday, November 3 due to complications with the vendor. Stay tuned for more details as we hope to reschedule this event in the spring.

Spirit Night at Alessio's: Wednesday, October 25

Join us on Wednesday, October 25 at Alessio's Restaurant & Pizzeria for our October Spirit Night! Alessio's will generously donate a percentage of Shakerag sales ALL DAY! Dine in for lunch, a midday snack, dinner, or order for carryout, just remember to mention Shakerag upon ordering. Thanks to your participation, Spirit Nights help fund special projects for our school!

A Message from the School Governance Council (SGC):

School Governance Council Meeting

We invite you to visit our School Governance Council (SGC) website, which can be accessed by clicking [here](#) or via our school website (click [here](#)) under the 'ABOUT' drop-down menu. Our latest Strategic Plan as well as other relevant SGC information is posted to this site for your convenience. Our next SGC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 8 at 8:00 a.m.

FCS News:

Important District Reminder: Food on Campus

As we approach the upcoming holidays, Fulton County Schools would like for us to remind parents and families that candy, desserts, baked goods (store bought/homemade), or any other edible items **are not** to be sold or distributed at school or on the bus during school hours. Please discuss this expectation with your student(s). You can help us protect your student(s) by requesting that they not eat anything given to them by another person, anything that they have not brought from your home, or anything not in its original sealed package. Thank you for your continued partnership in keeping all of our students safe at school!

Classwize

Fulton County is now deploying Classwize, a classroom management software to all Fulton County-issued laptop devices across the district that will enhance device monitoring capabilities and minimize digital distractions. Please click [here](#) for additional information on this amazing program.

Family Matters Celebration: November 15 and November 29

Hello FCS Families! Get ready for the ultimate blast this November because it's National Family Engagement Month, and we're gearing up for our second annual "Family Matters" extravaganza – just for YOU!

Here's What's Cooking:

- It's In the Bag! A Family Cooking Adventure
- Star lab
- Chinese Brush Painting
- Vision Board Workshop
- Microsoft Translation Workshop
- HBCU Dance Boot Camp
- Battle of the Drones

Expect fantastic vendors, mind-blowing entertainment, and fabulous giveaways. Did we mention family fun? You can't miss it! Two nights of learning fun and over 25 sessions. To see session descriptions please visit our website.

www.fultonschools.org/FamilyEngagementMonth

Heards Ferry Elementary School | Nov 15 | 4:30-8:00 p.m.**

Feldwood Elementary School | Nov 29 | 4:30-8:00 p.m.**

Registration is a must to secure your spot in this epic celebration as spaces are limited! Please RSVP now and find out more at www.fultonschools.org/FamilyEngagementMonth. Register by November 1 to guarantee your family's place at the event of the year and get set for unforgettable memories – see you there!

October is National Bullying Prevention Month

Fulton County Schools and The Office of Student Supports are excited to recognize October as National Bullying Prevention Month. Please always remember to Be Kind, Stand Up for Others and S.H.A.R.E. See it. Hear it. And Report it Every Time.

In the Community:

Skelebration

On 10/26, Innovation Academy (125 Milton Avenue, Alpharetta) will be hosting a Halloween Community Event, Skelebration. The event is an elementary friendly Halloween night where all their clubs will be hosting tables and "haunted" hallways. There will also be a train for the kids to ride that will take them throughout the lower half of the building! This night is open to all elementary aged children, so we hope everyone can join. Please come in costume! Children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, please click [here](#).

Have a wonderful weekend!