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BEST = Building Excellence Successfully Together

October 4, 2019

Calendar Dates:

October 4	PTA Family Fun Night 6:00 – 10:00PM
October 10	NO SCHOOL for students School Governance (SGC) Release Day
October 11	NO SCHOOL for students– Teacher Workday
October 14	NO SCHOOL - Holiday - School closed
October 15	Julia Bernath w/ Gail Dean Community Mtg – Sandy Springs MS 11:30AM
October 17	Report Cards go home
October 18	Parent Academy – Bullies, Buddies, and BFF's 7:45AM Rain Date for Family Fun Night
October 21	PTA Reflection Entries are DUE
October 22	PTA Dining for Dollars Chick-Fil-A Night (Northpoint Pkwy) 5:00-8:00PM
October 21-28	IOWA Assessment Grades 3 and 5
October 30	Picture Re-Takes

Important: 2019-20 School Governance Release Days for Students:

10/10/19, 2/14/19, and 3/12/20

These are workdays for teachers - students do NOT attend school on these dates. Please make alternative arrangements for your students on these days.

NEWS AROUND NORTHWOOD

IOWA Assessment

Students in 3rd and 5th grades will take the IOWA Assessments this month. The IOWA Assessment is a norm-referenced test (NRT) that compares the performance of students in a national sample who are in the same grade, and who took the test at the same point in the year.

Our testing dates run from October 21-24 with makeup days on the following Friday and Monday. All of our testing will be completed online in the morning beginning at 8 am, and 3rd and 5th grade students will test on the same days.

Since a quiet and distraction-free testing environment is so important for a good score, parents/volunteers will not be allowed in the building from 8:00am to 12:00pm on testing days.

The IOWA Assessment schedule is below:

Monday, October 21 – Reading and Vocabulary

Tuesday, October 22 - Math and Computation

Wednesday, October 23 - Spelling, Capitalization, Punctuation and Written Expression

Thursday, October 24 - Science and Social Studies (5th grade only)

Friday, October 25 – Make up Testing

Monday, October 28 – Make up Testing

What can you do to help your child prepare?

The IOWA is not an assessment that students need to study for. The best preparation is be sure your children are getting plenty of rest, that they eat a healthy breakfast, and that they arrive at school on time on testing days ready to show their knowledge. Please make sure to give your child encouragement and try not to be overly anxious about test scores. If your child wears glasses or hearing aids, please make sure he/she brings them and wears them during all the testing sessions.

CALLING ALL 3rd-5th STUDENT TECHIES!



Do you love technology? Chances are you are already using technology in fun and interesting ways. You can share your ideas with our school community at Northwood's Technology Fair.

Who can participate? 3rd, 4th, 5th students (Individually or part of a 2-person team (same grade).

When and Where: Tuesday, December 3rd - Media Center

Awards Ceremony: Wednesday, December 4th - Media Center (7:10 am)

Where can I learn more? Visit the Northwood Tech Fair website for information and to sign up!

[Click here](#) to learn more.

When are applications due? **Friday, October 18th** [Click here](#) to register.

Please email Mr. Asher at asher@fultonschools.org if you have questions.



In **first grade** we have begun our new writing unit where we are writing opinion pieces! To kick off the unit and celebrate Johnny Appleseed Day, the students tasted red, green, and yellow apples and formed opinions about the ones they liked best. Our classes loved writing about their favorite apples while enjoying a tasty snack!

Second Graders continue to excel in following the PBIS expectations. Many proud students stood patiently in line waiting to visit the PBIS cart this week for receiving 10 or more gold slips in the month of September. Our narrative writing unit has come to an end and students have shown tremendous growth in lead, organization, and craft. In science, the children are super excited about being scientists and conducting explorations and experiments involving the three states of matter. The other day's balloon demonstration definitely piqued their interests. We are all looking forward to our upcoming field trip to the Teaching Museum!



Message from our Eco Team

The following Northwood students have proudly accepted the **Waste Free Monday** challenge by packing their lunch in reusable containers. They are a great example of how we can “go green” during lunch.

Kindergarten - Noah Barraclough, Chloe Wilcox, Thomas Brown, Maddie Ramdeen, Amelia Powell, Kinsey Elstad, Liam Bush, Wilson Weeks, Keegan Maloney, Melissa Asante, Diya Sriramaneni, Shaely Vyas, Mrs. Slatton, and Mrs. Cope

First Grade – Tara Sharma

Second Grade- Andrew Hazelwood and Lilly Wiggleston

Third Grade - Savannah Linder

Fourth Grade - Mackenzie Lowry, Ella La Fayette, and Shaday Civil

Fifth Grade -Cynthia Perez-Noyola, Eva Smith, Colette Personette, and Houston Josephson

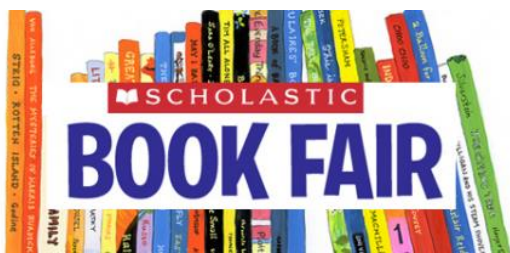
Let's Say Thank You!

Our School/Community Helpers do so much to keep our community safe. In honor of Fire Prevention Week, we would like to thank our fire department as well as our other community helpers. Please bring in bottled water and/or individually packaged snacks to the Northwood front office **October 7th-11th**. Your generous donations will be delivered to the Roswell fire and police departments and FCBOE maintenance and warehouse staff. Thank you in advance for your donations.



Book Fair Help!

The Scholastic Book Fair will be here November 13th-22nd! Mrs. Bauer is looking for a co-chair to help with the overall operation of the event. If you are interested in helping or learning more, please send an email to bauera@fultonschools.org. More information about the book fair will be coming soon. All volunteers receive a discount for giving their time to help make our Book Fair a success 😊.



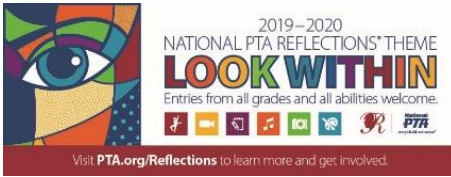
Lifetouch Picture Re-takes

Students who missed out on having their school picture taken will be given another opportunity to do so on **October 30**. Any student who was absent or forgot to bring in picture money is welcome to have their photo taken. In addition, once the portrait packages that were purchased on the original picture day are sent home, if they are unacceptable to you, you may send the entire package back to school on Re-Take Day and have the photo taken again.



Northwood PTA

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Calling ALL Students –

It's time again for the annual PTA Reflections Art Contest!

The 2019-2020 topic is: **LOOK WITHIN**

What does **LOOK WITHIN** mean to you?

Create your vision and enter! Choose your medium:

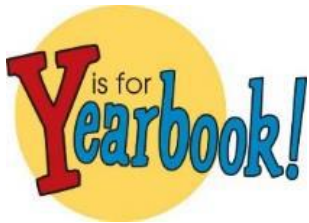
Dance Film Literature Music Photography Visual Arts

\$100 prize if your creation is chosen for next year's theme! (See Entry Form for details.)

Entry forms available at the front office.

Completed projects due at the front office: **October 21, 2019.**

Visit <https://www.georgiapta.org/reflections/> for more information.



Don't miss out! Hurry and buy your Northwood yearbook for \$35! The price will increase to \$40 on November 1st. This year yearbooks can only be purchased at <https://www.balfour.com/georgia/roswell/northwood-elementary-school>. The deadline to order is **January 29**. If you have any questions, please contact Jami Wells at yearbook@northwoodpta.com.

TANNER PORTRAIT STUDIO PRESENTS

NORTHWOOD ELEMENTARY PTA

A \$30.00 DONATION TO NORTHWOOD PTA

Includes the Sitting Fee &

11"X14" FAMILY PORTRAIT PRINT

Courtesy of Tanner Portrait Studio (\$165.00 Value)

Friday, October 4th 5:00pm 7:00pm

Saturday, October 5th 9:30am 11:30am

Sunday, October 6th 9:30am 1:00pm

At Mill Creek Pond

(30000 Mill Creek Ave, Alpharetta)

Please go to the PTA website to make your \$30 Donation,

<http://www.northwoodpta.com/store.html>



Clipping Box Tops or (new to this year) scanning your receipts directly in the Box Tops 4 Education app are two very easy ways to help Northwood earn cash. **Last school year we earned \$1,024.70!** For the box tops that still need to be clipped, clip and trim them, send them to school in a small snack size bag. Have your child hand them in to the teacher for submission. **We will have two collection dates this school year: October 18th and February 18th.**

The new and improved way of collecting Box Tops is via an app you can download on your phone. Look for BoxTops4Education. In a few easy steps, you can set up your account and link it to Northwood Elementary (make sure to pick the right one as there are more than you could imagine). Once you have this set up, each time you shop/buy items that participate in Box Tops you have 14 days of receipt to scan in the app and have the earnings applied directly to our school.

Please contact Marlen Benitez via email at boxtops@northwoodpta.com if you have any questions.

We are happy to provide information about the following programs, but please note that they are not sponsored by Northwood Elementary School**

2019-2020 CENTENNIAL JR. KNIGHTS BASKETBALL TRYOUTS



ARE YOU READY TO BE A KNIGHT?

Tryouts are fast approaching!

Don't miss your opportunity to join the Centennial Jr. Knights Basketball team!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5th and SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6th

5th - 8th Grade, Girls and Boys

You MUST register at centennialjrbasketball.com

Cafeteria News

Adult lunches are \$3.45. Please have only your child join you at the designated visitor tables. Please remember that outside food is not allowed. This can be a special "Parent and Me" treat.

Announcement for School Breakfast Programs:

Did you know that a hot and fresh breakfast is served every morning in the cafeteria? It's a proven fact that breakfast helps jumpstart your brain for a day full of activity and learning – so be sure your child starts their school day ready to go with a delicious breakfast! We invite your child to visit the cafeteria from 7:10AM to 7:35AM to get their breakfast! The cost is \$1.10.

Lunch Menu – October 7-11

<http://www.fultonschools.org/en/divisions/ops/Nutrition/Pages/MenuCalendars.aspx>

10/7 – Veggie Lasagna – Chicken Nuggets – Turkey & Cheese Wrap

10/8 – Terriyaki Chicken – Hamburger – Cheeseburger – Cheese Pizza Pack

10/9 – Tex Mex Nachos – Mini Hotdogs – Cheese Nachos – Black Bean Taco Salad

10/10 – SGC Release Day—NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

10/11 – Teacher Workday – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

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