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The BEST of Northwood Elementary



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BEST = Building Excellence Successfully Together

October 11, 2019

Calendar Dates:

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
November 1	All Pro Dad's Breakfast 7:10-7:40AM Parent Workshop – How PBIS Supports My Child 7:45AM PTA Movie Night Grades K and 1
November 5	Teacher Workday – No Students

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

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.

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.

NEWS AROUND NORTHWOOD

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.



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 - Kinsey Elstad, Madison McFarlin, John Hollenbaugh, Diya Sriramaneni, Matitreya Bolisetti, Owen Vette, Aarna Bhalsad, Connor McCurdy, Noah Barraclough, Mrs. Slatton, Mrs. Cope, Keegan Maloney, Amelia Powell, and Luke Woodring

First Grade – Tara Sharma and Selah Dahl

Second Grade- Kiera Conlan, Lilly Wiggleston, Jacob Caldwell, and Leo Malloy

Third Grade - Lydia Oberg, Vihaan Vinay, Ananya Krishnan, London Booker-Daniel, Ky'lee Mims, Theo Ganesan, Emily Amato, Jacob Adler, and Mrs. Wiley

Fourth Grade - Shaday Civil, Mackenzie Lowry, and Amira Vanjaria.

Fifth Grade -Cynthia Perez-Noyola

Kindergarten had so much fun on September 27th when we celebrated Johnny Appleseed on Apple Day. The students tasted a variety of yummy apple treats donated by our amazing parents. Some of the apple goodies included: apple pie, apple cobbler, apple cookies, homemade apple sauce, apple candy, and many more. While tasting the apple treats, the students used their 5 senses to compare the treats and describe them to their friends and teachers. Students also compared different types of apples, apple juice to apple cider, or homemade apple sauce to store bought apple sauce. Apple Day is always one of the students' favorite days of the year. Thank you again to all of our wonderful parents who help make special days like Apple Day even better.

Third grade students have been focusing on Native American cultural regions for the last three weeks. Students have been learning about how the environment affected the way American Indians obtained food, clothing, and shelter. We have had fun reading different books, watching short videos, and creating a PowerPoint or flipbook. The kids have been doing a fantastic job showing their creativity with the projects. We'll finish our unit with a "Native American" Celebration, where the students will get an opportunity to rotate throughout the classrooms and complete a game or project specific to a particular region. How fun!

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

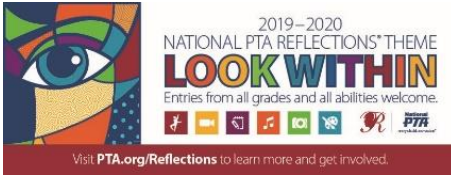
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IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM PTA: The Northwood Elementary PTA knows that a strong partnership among our families, school leaders and community members is important to the success of our students and school. That's why we are participating in the National PTA School of Excellence program, which grows partnerships between PTAs and schools to enrich the educational experience and overall well-being of all students.

We need your help! As part of the process, the National PTA requests feedback from families, administrators and teachers at two points in the school year—the beginning and the end. Your feedback will help us improve our family-school partnership and achieve excellence.

Please take 5-10 minutes to reflect on your experience at this school and complete the attached survey. Click on the following link to access the survey. **Please complete this by Monday, October 28, 2019.**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/110/school-of-excellence-survey>



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:

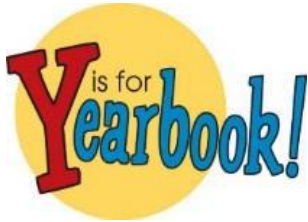
Dance Film Literature Music Photography Visual Arts

\$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.



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.

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 14-18

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

10/14 – NO SCHOOL - HOLIDAY

10/15 – Tangerine Chicken – Burger Sliders – Jamwich Pack

10/16 – Tex Mex Nachos – Chicken Filet Sandwich – Queso Tex Mex Nachos – Hummus Plate

10/17 – BBQ Pork – Turkey Chef Salad – Signature Side Salad

10/18 – Seafood Basket – Cheese Pizza – Meat Lover's Pizza – Lunchbox Buddy

Equal Opportunity Agency

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