



HEMBREE HIGHLIGHTS



FROM THE DESK OF LAURIE WOODRUFF

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ELEMENTARY

Dear Families,

Brrrrr... I am hoping winter passes quickly, aren't you? Please be sure your child wears a warm coat, gloves, and hat especially on these "frigid" days. If they spend just fifteen short minutes outside, they can get very cold very quickly!



Next Wednesday, January 27th will be our 100th day of school. Come celebrate with us at Family Spirit Night at Baskin-Robbins from 3-8 pm. At the end of the week, on Friday January 29th, we are looking forward to Science Day for students in grades 1 and 2. If you are able, please consider volunteering for this hand-on, enriching event. The students and volunteers love it!

A sincere thank you to Mr. Tavel for the fabulous star night event that he coordinated for us this past Thursday. The wet weather held off so we could get an amazing view of the winter skies. It was simply spectacular.

Finally, I would like to announce the finalists for Teacher of the Year 2015-16. All of our Hembree Springs teachers are awesome and this is reflected through your nominations. The three finalists are Emily Clausen, Special Needs Kindergarten Teacher; Natalie Deckbar, IRR Teacher; and Laura Williams, Second Grade Teacher. Congratulations to these three outstanding teachers.

Until next week...stay warm.

Laurie Woodruff, Principal



SPirit NIGHT at Baskin-Robbins

Celebrate our 100th day of school on Tuesday, January 27th from 3 pm to 8 pm at Baskin-Robbins located at 10800 Alpharetta Hwy, Roswell. We look forward to seeing you there!

IMPORTANT DATES

- 1/27 100th Day of School
Spirit Night at Baskin-Robbins
3 pm to 8 pm
- 1/29 Science Day 1st and 2nd Grades
- 2/01 Soaring Hawks Board Mtg 6:30 pm
- 2/03 Deadline Sweetheart Dance Tickets
- 2/04 School Governance Mtg 2:45 pm.
- 2/05 Sweetheart Dance 6 to 8 pm
- 2/11 Staff Appreciation Breakfast
- 2/12 FCS Teacher Workday –
NO SCHOOL for Students
- 2/15 Presidents' Day Holiday -
NO SCHOOL
- 2/16 Star Night at 7 pm
- 2/17 Katha Stuart Community Mtg at Mimosa
9:30 am
Spring Picture Day
- 2/19 Volunteer Day
Deadline for turning in Box Tops
- 2/23 Spirit Night—Cici's Pizza 4-8 pm
- 2/26 Science Day 3rd and 4th Grades

Sweetheart Dance – Friday, February 5th

Hembree Springs is hosting its fourth annual Sweetheart Dance on Friday, February 5th from 6 – 8pm. Students attend this event with their parents (or other special adult). Space is limited. Return your order form and payment to the school by Wednesday, February 3, 2016. The cost is \$10.00 per couple/\$20.00 per family.



Correction/Adjustment- HSE Community and Hembree Highlights 1/16/16 Calendars. The deadline for Sweetheart Pre-Sale Tickets is not 1/26/16 the correct deadline for ticket/presales is Wednesday, February, 3, 2016.

Deadline is Feb. 15 for Hardship Transfer Applications



An online application will be available beginning January 1 for parents who wish to apply for a 2016-2017 hardship transfer for their child (ren) or to renew a current hardship to another Fulton elementary, middle, or high school.

Hardship transfer requests are those that relate to medical reasons, curriculum differences, childcare situations, or for employees' children. Parents will use an online form to enter and submit their information.

Hard copy applications will not be accepted, with the exception of medical transfers, which require pertinent medical provider's signatures and documentation. The online application for hardship transfers went live on the district website January 1, with a deadline of February 15, 2016, by 4:30 p.m. All requests must be submitted by this date and time.

Schools participating in open enrollment, a separate transfer process that allows students to move to a school with available space, will be announced in early May.

Medical documentation for medical hardships must be submitted via email by the deadline to: studentassignment@fultonschools.org ; student application ID number and name should be referenced in the subject line. No exceptions or extensions can be granted.

Parents with questions, or who need more information about hardship transfers, can contact the Fulton County Schools' Student Assignment Office at 470-254-5550 or visit www.fultonschools.org/en/divisions/ops/plan/Pages/Student_Assignment.aspx.

PTA Nominating Committee

PTA will soon start planning committees for next year's activities. Send an email to nominatingcommittee@hembreespringspta.org to learn more about what is available if you are interested in getting involved.

Volunteers Needed Hembree Runs Wild & Annual Basket Raffle

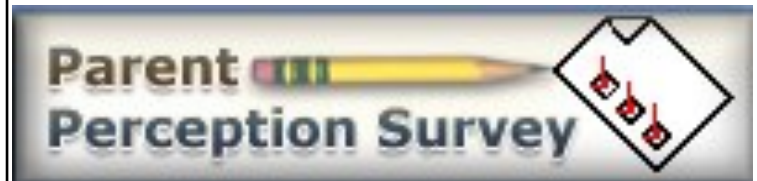
Interested in helping with Hembree Runs Wild 5K and 1K Fun Run and/or the Annual Basket Raffle? Join us Monday morning at 7:40 am. Contact Laura Calvert with questions via email at Lcalvert@bellsouth.net or call (404) 307-6953.

Come out and help with these fun and exciting events coming in April.

Spirit Night Participation Winners

Ms. Currier's third grade class had the highest participation Tuesday evening at Spirit Night at Moe's. They have won a Popsicle party!

Way to go Ms. Currier's class!



The time has come to administer the Department of Education's **Georgia Parent Survey** for the 2015-2016 school year. Data from the Georgia Parent Survey will be used to calculate the School Climate Star Rating within the *College and Career Ready Performance Index* (CCRPI). The Georgia Parent Survey will remain open through February 27, 2016.

The survey has 24 questions and should take no more than 5 - 10 minutes to complete. Survey responses are anonymous and will be submitted directly to the Department of Education for analysis. We hope that all parents participate in the survey. Go to the link below, a drop-down menu will appear and you will select our district and school. <http://apps.gadoe.org/schoolclimate/parents.nsf/Survey.xsp>

Thank you for participating in the Georgia Parent Survey.

Healthy Lifestyles

Fruit & Vegetable Sampling - Keep the Ball Rolling At Home

The PTA Healthy Lifestyles team introduced students to several fruits and vegetables in October. Students were introduced to kiwi, plum, pear, navel orange, blackberry, broccoli, cucumber, green pepper, and celery.

We encourage you to keep that ball rolling this month and help your child sample some of those same fruits and vegetables again; or give something new a try. A great way to motivate your eaters is through a family outing to pick a few fruits or vegetables to sample at home. It can be fun for a child (and the adult) to visit the produce isles looking for something new. Sprouts Farmers Market (in Roswell) and Fresh Point Atlanta at the State Farmers Market (a little further away, but worth the trip) are great places to get fresh fruits and vegetables that the whole family will enjoy.

The link provided below is to a chart that you and your child can use to find the healthy properties of individual fruits and vegetables. <http://www.kidspot.com.au/files/kidspot-vitamins-and-minerals-chart.pdf>

Looking for Graphic Artists to volunteer to help us with some projects. If you can help, please contact Laura Calvert at (404) 307-6953 or email at Lcalvert@bellsouth.net



Our Spring Competition for Box Tops is ramping up so keep saving. Don't forget to remind family members and non Hembree friends to clip and save for you. Box tops earned through Box Top Market place count too. The deadline to turn in Box Tops is February 19th.

Science Days are coming.

Jan. 29th: 1st and 2nd grade
Feb. 26th: 3rd and 4th grade
Mar. 4th: KK
May 6th: 5th grade



Students in each grade spend several hours conducting hands-on experiments connected to what they are learning in science. Volunteers are needed. The experiments are done in small groups led by volunteers. Please sign up by completing and returning the form that you receive in your student's Friday folder. For 1st grade you can use Signup Genius: <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10C0E45A4AA22A46-1stgrade>

If you volunteer, be sure to complete the FCS Volunteer training at least 48 hours before you come in. Volunteer training link: <http://www.fcsvolunteers.org/>

ROSWELL HORNETS BOYS SOCCER CLINIC

Attention all BOY soccer players!
Roswell Hornets Boys Soccer Clinic
Saturday, February 27th 12:00 – 4:00 pm
@ RHS STADIUM
Ages 6-14
Registration now open !!
Registration deadline: 2/12/16
Register
at: www.rhsboysoccer.wix.com/2016

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