



# GREYSTONE NEWS

*Learn. Lead. Leave a Legacy.*

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## Important Dates

July 27th - On-site  
Registration 8:00-12:00 &  
3:00 - 5:30

Aug. 7th- Kindergarten  
Parent Night 5:30-6:30  
p.m.

Aug. 8th- Meet the  
Teacher 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Aug. 9th- First Day of  
School for Students

Aug. 14th- 2nd Grade  
Parent Night  
6:00-7:00 p.m.

Aug. 15th- 3rd Grade  
Parent Night  
6:00-7:00 p.m.

Aug. 17th- 1st Grade  
Parent Night  
6:00-7:00 p.m.

Aug. 29th- 4th Grade  
Parent Night  
6:00-7:00 p.m.

Aug. 31st- 5th Grade  
Parent Night  
6:00-7:00 p.m.

## From the Desk of Mrs. Stocks

Congratulations! We have completed a fantastic school year. I am so proud of our students for their hard work, stamina, and dedication to learning and becoming better citizens. They have learned about the brain and how we can keep stretching our brain by practicing, failing, and practicing again. They have written detailed stories and researched all sorts of things. They have grown in their confidence in math and are better mathematicians now than in August. They have created some amazing works of art and beautiful sounds with their voice and instruments. They have learned how to play games, throw, and catch much better than when they started the year. They are better friends and better readers because of their hard work!

Students, I would like to challenge you for the summer. READ!!! It doesn't matter what you read. Find something that is interesting to you and keep reading. Just like with many skills, you need to practice to get better. PLAY GAMES! There are many games you can play to help develop your critical thinking skills and math skills. Have you ever played Go Fish for 10 or Multiplication War? Think about the games you learned this year and play them to improve your fluency with addition, subtraction, multiplication, or division.

I have been blessed to serve as your principal this year and look forward to bigger and better things next year. Please know that my door is always open. Feel free to contact me anytime with questions, concerns, or to let us know what we are doing well! Have a wonderful summer and we will see everyone on July 27th for on-site registration and to pick up teacher letters!

Mrs. Stocks

## Notes from the Nurse

When your child returns to school in August, new medications along with new medication forms with parent and physician signatures will be required. One form will be required for each medication brought to school for the 2017-2018 school year.

If you have any questions please call me at 439-3230.

Have a safe and happy summer!©  
Felecia Motley, School Nurse





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## Summer Learning Challenge

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Before your child leaves for the summer, Greystone Elementary encourages him or her to learn more about the offerings of the Alabama Summer Learning Challenge and the free resources offered by the Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE), Lexile and LTS Education Systems. It's easy to use and sign up for online access to games, skills practice and resources so your child may learn all summer long!

For students, the months away from school can result in a large loss of knowledge in reading, math, science and other core subject matter. The [Alabama Summer Learning Challenge](#) raises awareness of the summer loss epidemic and provides access to a variety of free resources to targeted summer learning.



The “[Find a Book, Alabama](#)” tool ([www.Lexile.com/fab/Alabama](http://www.Lexile.com/fab/Alabama) ) offers students over 260,000 books from which to choose. This book-search tool enables individuals to build custom reading lists based on their Lexile range (if known) and/or Grade span and personal interests, and checks the availability of books at the local library. Just visit the webpage and click the grade span or type in your child’s Lexile score if known, to find books suggested for him or her!



- Children, parents and educators can also pledge to read using the “[Find a Book, Alabama](#)” tool starting May 1<sup>st</sup>. We encourage all students to pledge to read.
- The Alabama Summer Learning Challenge also includes a [FREE email-based math skills program](#) for children who have completed 1st through 8th grades. Parents and other summer care-givers can begin registering for the program today.

Then, starting Monday, June 19, parents will begin receiving daily emails

with fun activities and resources to help their children retain math skills acquired during the previous school year. After the program ends on Friday, July 28, parents can print an award certificate to celebrate their child's summer accomplishment!

- This summer, [Stride](#) by [LTS Education Systems](#) is FREE to all students in the state from May 1 to July 30. You can prevent “summer slide” with a cool blend of online math, reading, language arts and science skills practice, spectacular video games for every student interest, and peer competitions to pass the lazy summer days. Students may access the [Stride](#) learning platform online anytime, 24-7, on tablets, PCs and Macs.

Just click on link to register and login at [www.AlabamaSummerStride.com](http://www.AlabamaSummerStride.com)  
Your child can then log on anytime to participate in skills practice or play games that are academically aligned with Alabama’s College and Career Ready Standards.

Important: LTS provides a dedicated Parent Support Line for the Summer Learning Challenge. Parents can call in to 1.844.274.7474 for help with Stride.

Greystone Elementary also encourages students to take advantage of reading opportunities and technology at Alabama’s public libraries. Locations and information can be found at <http://www.publiclibraries.com/alabama.htm>. Summer learning programs and learning opportunities may also be found at local YMCAs, Boys and Girls Clubs and local community centers. Keep learning all summer long!

Thank you,

Mrs. Stocks

### Library Information

Avoid the summer slide! Sign up for summer reading at any public library! Hoover, North Shelby, & Mt. Laurel will have their summer reading online this year! Sign up and log your reading online! Wow! All of the libraries have some great activities this summer.

Electronic books are available to all students on most devices. Check them out:

- BookFlix (Username: gstone; Password: gstone)  
<http://auth.grolier.com/login/bookflix/login.php?bffs=N>
- TrueFlix (Username: gstone; Password: gstone)  
<http://auth.grolier.com/login/tfx/login.php?bffs=N>
- Storyline Online <http://www.storylineonline.net/>
- AVL eBooks <http://www.avl.lib.al.us>
- OverDrive eBooks and audiobooks through the Hoover City Schools, Hoover Public Library, or Shelby County Libraries. The public libraries' OverDrive accounts will require parental supervision and a public library card. The Hoover City Schools' OverDrive contain eBooks appropriate for students in K-5

and require only your child's student number. Click [here](#) for directions on how to check out eBooks using the HCS OverDrive account.



**B I R M I N G H A M   A U D U B O N**

### **Thank You to the Audubon Society of Birmingham**

The Audubon Society of Birmingham has graciously given our school a \$200 grant for our Outdoor Classroom! Members of the Spain Park High School football team planted these native bird loving plants for our enjoyment and study. We would like to thank the Audubon Society for their support.

### **ATTENTION GIRLS ENTERING 4TH AND 5TH GRADES!**

Spain Park High School is having a GEMS (Girls in the Education of Math and Science) Summer Camp. [Click here](#) for more information.

### **Spain Park Baseball Camp**

**WHAT:** The annual Spain Park Baseball Camp is a camp based on instruction in the fundamentals of hitting, fielding and pitching. Campers will practice and compete with campers in their age group.

**Date:** May 30th – June 2nd

**Times:** AGES 5-14 9:00-12:00

**Where:** Spain Park City Athletic Complex, Located by Spain Park High School

**Camp Staff:** The Spain Park High School coaching staff along with former and current Spain Park Players

**Cost:** \$125 (INCLUDES CAMP T-SHIRT AND DRINKS DURING BREAKS). We will also have additional drinks and snacks available for purchase. Campers may pay daily or may deposit money to be used towards their snacks.

Click [here](#) to download the registration flyer.

### **Drama Daze Camp at Berry Middle School**

Drama Daze is a five-day camp for rising 4th - 9th graders, designed to promote confidence, imagination, teamwork and self confidence through exploring the power of using body, voice and mind. We will focus on telling stories via puppetry, art, song, dance and acting. Students will collaborate, problem-solve and have fun, while learning new skills, making new friends, and preparing a showcase performance on the final Friday.

Camp dates are June 26-30, from 10am to 2:30pm daily. On Friday, June 30, students will stay after camp to do final preparation for a showcase performance held that evening at 6pm.

Tuition is \$175 for the week, which includes a camp Tshirt and art supplies. Students will bring their own lunches each day. Students may be asked to bring some props and simple costume pieces.

Email Dianne Rowe at [drowe@hoover.k12.al.us](mailto:drowe@hoover.k12.al.us) for more information.



### Spain Park Youth Football Camp

We are having our annual youth football camp June 20-22, and we would like to invite all of our elementary boys to attend. The camp is FREE of charge. [Click here for the flyer.](#)

## Smokin' Joe's Basketball Camp



**@HOOVER HIGH SCHOOL**  
**1000 BUCCANEER DRIVE HOOVER, AL 35244**

**8:30 AM - 4PM**  
**FULL DAY**  
**7- 15YRS OLD**

**\$220**

**8:30 AM - 12:30 PM**  
**HALF DAY**  
**5/6 YRS OLD**

**\$115**

**Learn the fundamentals | Special Guests | Shooting Games | 3on3 & 5on5 Tournaments**

**REGISTER AT [JSMITHHOOPS.COM](http://JSMITHHOOPS.COM)**  
**OR EMAIL [INFO@JSMITHHOOPS.COM](mailto:INFO@JSMITHHOOPS.COM)**

### “Everyday” Fundraisers for Our School

“Everyday” fundraisers are EASY. There is something for everyone! Like most schools, Greystone Elementary not only relies on state and district funds, but also on other fundraising events to help meet our children’s needs. You can help support the school with a variety of “everyday” fundraisers — fundraisers that do not cost parents extra dollars. Here are a few easy ways you can help our school meet its goals!



Publix partners: Scan your Publix card every time you shop at Publix before the end of the sale. (Note: Cards cannot be accepted after totaling the order.) Publix credits Greystone Elementary’s account with every dollar our participants spend. At the end of each quarter, Publix will donate \$250 for every \$37,500 spent. New cards are available at the front office.



**Box Tops:** Please save your box tops. Each unexpired box top is worth 10 cents for our school. This may not seem like much, but they add up quickly. They do not need to be cut out neatly. Just send them to school in a Ziploc bag.

<http://www.boxtops4education.com/>



**AmazonSmile:** Please use this link <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/63-1145375> when you shop at Amazon.com. Amazon donates 0.5% of the sale to Greystone Elementary when using this link. Please bookmark this and pass this on to friends and family. When you use this link, it will look the same as Amazon.com has always looked to you. Please be sure to use this link every time you shop at Amazon.

**EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**

(Board policy, 6.6) No student will be unlawfully excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination in any program or activity offered or sponsored by the Board on the basis of race, ethnicity, color, disability, creed, national origin, sex, immigrant or migrant status, non-English speaking ability, or homeless status. All career and technical education opportunities are offered to all students regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, or disability. The district also provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

Mrs. Claire Moore, IDEA Coordinator Mrs. Marley Stephens, Section 504 Coordinator Dr. Debra Smith, Title I Coordinator Dr. Cindy Adams, Title II Coordinator Mrs. Claire Moore, Title III Coordinator Dr. Tera Simmons, Title IX Coordinator

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**EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

(Board policy, 5.13.1) The Board is an equal opportunity employer. Personnel actions and decisions will be made without regard to factors or considerations prohibited by federal or state law (as such laws may from time to time be amended), including but not limited to race, gender, age, disability, national origin, citizenship, and religious preference. Subject to the limitations set forth in 4.6.2, the general complaint (grievance) policy (4.6.1) may be used to present any complaint alleging unlawful discrimination or harassment. Inquiries regarding compliance and complaint procedures can be directed to:

Mary Veal, Equal Opportunity Employment Coordinator  
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