Cook Middle School

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Special points of interest:

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Please sign up with Harvey's Hometown Rewards Program. **Our school**

Welcome Back to School!

Welcome Back to School! We have had a very good start to the new year and look forward to each and every day.

Please stay in contact with your school. These three years are very important in the development of your child.

Contact information:

Website:
cms.cook.k12.ga.us

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Please check out this

SLDS Parent Portal

NOW Available

Now available to almost every school system in the state, SLDS has released the SLDS Parent Portal*. The SLDS Parent Portal works directly with the school system's current student information system (SIS). When a parent logs into the system's Parent Portal, they will have a "link" to the SLDS Parent Portal section. This SLDS Parent Portal area will provide the parent with all of their child (ren)'s historical data, which is currently available to teachers and other school personnel through SLDS. As of this newsletter - there are 10 years of historical data availa-

Please visit this site for more information.

***SLDS Parent Portal is voluntary, each school system will decide if they wish to utilize this tool.**

http://www.gadoe.org/Technology-Services/SLDS/Pages/SLDS-Parent-Portal.aspx

Check it OUT!

UPCOMING DATES:

September 7 – Progress Reports 9 – Back to School Dance 10 - Miss CMS 12 – 16 Homecoming Week 26 – 30 Book Fair October 4 – End of First Quarter 5 – STAR testing 10 – 14 Fall Break

FUN RUN -

SAVE THE DATE!

Nightmare on

ELM ST fun run

Oct. 22 at CMS

Time: At dark-thirty

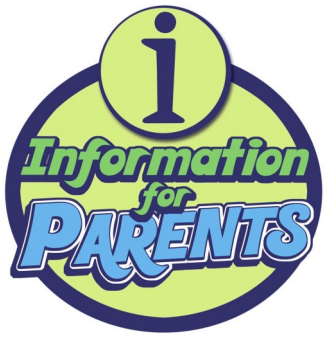
Contact: CMS/Angi McClain

CMS Lady Hornets Softball Schedule

Date	Place	Time
8/22	Quitman	4:30
8/27	A Team Tournament Leesburg	TBA
8/29	Tifton	4:00
8/30	Nashville	4:00
9/1	Valdosta	4:00
9/6	Adel	4:30
9/8	Valdosta	4:00
9/13	Adel	4:30
9/15	Adel	4:30
9/20	Adel	4:30
9/22	Adel	4:30

9/26-30 Conference Tournament
Time and Place will be announced at a later date.

A REMINDER FOR PARENTS….



Don't forget!!! You can check online for your child's attendance and GRADES!

https://ps.cook.k12.ga.us/public

Cook Middle School is a place where students are working to meet their full potential and to build PRIDE by becoming:

P = Productive

R = Respectful

I = Independent

D = Dependable

E = Ethical

Parental Opportunities

Join the CMS Hive!

Cook Middle will take the following measures to promote and support parents as an important foundation of the school in order to strengthen the school and reach our school goals. We will –

Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is published in both English and Spanish, as well as posted on the school's website and included in the monthly school newsletter for all parents.

Partner with high school counselors and faculty to share school information about parent engagement activities that will help prepare parents and their child for the high school transition.

Share information in English and Spanish on the school website and in the school newsletter for parents to understand the school's academic standards and assessments as well as the ways parents can monitor their child's progress.

Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school

P.T.O.

Parent – Teacher Organization

Reasons to Join the School Parent Group!

To become a part of your children's learning experiences.

To help raise money for a great cause – your children's education.

To get to know the teachers at school and to understand their needs and ideas.

CMS CHEERLEADERS

Bennett, Kadence
Bickers, Emily
Boling, Mari Allen
Brisk, Leah
Hamner, Julie
Harrell, Montana
Joiner, Leah
Lawrence, Madelyn
Layfield, Jaden
Mabrey, Haley
McDaniel, Calli
McDaniel, Caroline
Meadows, Lindsey
Reasor, Abby
Sellars, Anna Grace
Taunton, Kendyl
Thomas, Alexxus
Vickers, Brittney
Williams, Briana
Williams, Faith

Cook Middle School Football Roster

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	LOCATION
AUG. 17	PINE GROVE	5:00	ADEL
AUG. 25	HAHIRA	4:30	HAHIRA
SEPT. 1	NEWBERN	4:00	NEWBERN
SEPT. 8	VALDOSTA	5:00	ADEL
SEPT. 15	BERRIEN	5:00	ADEL
SEPT. 22	LOWNDES	4.30	LOWNDES
SEPT. 28	COLQUITT	5:00	ADEL

Gooo CMS Hornets!!!!!

Lady Hornets Softball Roster

Kelsey Nellis
Allie Simmons
Caroline Spell
Jacey Boykin
Annah Williams
Gena Willis
Jayden Eaton
Adisyn Purvis
Halle Griffin
Madison Griffis
Kaylin Felts
Kaia Arnold
Kyla Oren
Paris Starling
Luci Jacobs

Sammi Siska
Maggie Ray
Caroline Twomey
Eden Warren
Alexis Juarez

CMS CLUB SCHEDULE

This year Clubs will be on Friday 7:30—8:05.

1st Friday— FFA,TSA

2nd Friday—Y-Club, FCCLA

3rd Friday—Jr. Beta, Jr. Civitian

4th Friday—FBLA, FCA

FCA

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets at Cook Middle School on fourth Friday's. Special speakers with messages and testimonies are a part of each meeting. Students may join FCA and attend school meetings by paying $15 dues, which includes a t-shirt. If interested, see Mr. McDaniel

Jr. Beta

What is Jr. Beta Club?

The purpose is to promote scholarship, leadership, and good citizenship. Membership is by invitation only and is for 7th and 8th grade students. Students must have all A's for a school year and must maintain this baseline. If interested see Mrs. Dobson

Hornet Junior Civitan

A volunteer service organization for young people, dedicated to building good citizenship, leadership development, and helping people with developmental disabilities. Junior Civitans volunteer in their schools and communities, often in partnership with their sponsoring Civitan club. Members join together to clean up their schools, educate their peers about social issues, and ~~volunteer with~~ great local charities. Multiple scholarships will be available for dedicated Civitan members at the High School level. Hornet Junior Civitan club will elect club officers and meet on third Friday's . Dues are $20 per year. For a membership form, please see Mrs. McDaniel.

What is FBLA?

The FBLA is

*premier organization for students preparing for careers in business

*members gain the competitive edge for college and career success

*students taking advantage of FBLA programs can acquire the skills that set them apart from the average student

*members participate in a variety of activities that help build their skills while contributing to the improvement of their chapter, school, and community

FBLA

Georgia Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) sponsor is Ms. V. Ashley (room 130). We are looking forward to a great new year and in participating in exciting community projects as well as in regional and state competitions! We meet the fourth Friday of each month.

School Holiday!

Sept. 5, 2015

Labor Day

Key to success from the "Middle Years"

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Mrs. Lyn F. Martin,
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We're on the Web!

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You can set your middle grader up for success this school year with some basic pointers. Suggest that he/she try to follow this checklist, and you'll help he/she get off on the right foot:

- **I attend school every day unless I'm sick, and I get there on time.**
- **I get 8—10 hours of sleep each night.**
- **I eat a healthy breakfast in the morning.**
- **I pay attention in class**
- **I write down my assignments for each subject.**
- **I start my projects when I get them.**
- **I complete my homework on time.**
- **I read for pleasure each day.**

How to protect your middle grader from this kind of bullying

Cyber bullying occurs when someone sends hurtful messages online or by cell phone. It can take many forms, such as writing rude comments, spreading rumors, and posting embarrassing pictures.

Your child can discourage cyber bullying by giving personal information (name, email address, cell phone number) only to friends. If he/she receives nasty emails or text messages, they should not respond. Explain that replying just gives the person the satisfaction of having upset him/her. A good thing to do is simply to log off the computer or turn off the cell phone.

Let your child know that they should tell an adult if they experience cyber bullying. You can report problems to your Internet provider, school authorities, or even the police.