

N**aws** From the Nest





October 27, 2017 Fall Festival Picture Retakes

October 31, 2017 Annual Halloween Parade

> November 10, 2017 Veterans Breakfast

November 6—10 Fired Up Food Drive

November 15 **Progress Reports**

November 20-24 Thanksgiving Break

December 19-January 2, 2018 Christmas Break



PLEASE be sure to write your child's names in their coats, hats, etc.!! Make sure your child gets the proper rest and sleep so they can do their best. As the weather turns colder, wearing proper clothing is essential in order to stay healthy this school year.



Come join us on Friday, October 27th 5:30-8:00pm!

Math & Literacy Event

- Information regarding various apps and
- How to build practice skills at home.
- Ways to maximize your child's learning.





Vocabulary Boosters

A large vocabulary can turn your child into a better reader and writer. Try these everyday ways to help your child learn new words.

Keep your ears open.

When you and your child go places, point out words that people use. Maybe a waiter describes and "entree" or the dentist talks about "molars". Encourage your child to figure out what the words mean by the way they're used.

Go beyond nouns.

Help your child add adjectives and verbs to their vocabulary. Sports and games offer opportunities to use action words. Let your child hear you comment on the football that "soars" or the runner that 'sprints". When your child tells someone about their birthday gifts or writes thank you notes, suggest that they use descriptive words; The blue and white t-shirt was a fantastic birthday gift!





TIPS FOR PARENTS: HOW TO MONITOR YOUR CHILD'S PROGRESS

Every parent wants the best for his or her child, especially when it comes to education. Whether your child has just started kindergarten or is beginning a new journey in high school, it is important to monitor your child's progress every step of the way to ensure he or she is well prepared for success. The tips below will help you monitor your child's progress in school.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS

Talk with your child daily about school.

Attend parent teacher conferences and parent events for math and literacy.

Check your child's grades online weekly through the Infinite Campus app.



Be aware of Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) results and Georgia Milestones End-of-Grade (EOG) Assessment results.

Keep in contact with your child's teacher.

Use phone or email calendar reminders to monitor your child's progress.



We want to say a special "Thanks" to all the parents and guardians of students who completed the summer reading and math challenges! We hope this extra practice time was beneficial. Students can continue to practice these skills throughout the year. In reading, students can read for at least 15 minutes daily. In math, students can continue practicing math skills by using flash cards.

Below are some websites and free apps for extra literacy and math practice at home. The apps cannot be downloaded on your child's school iPad, but if you have a personal iPad, you could download them.

Literacy Practice for K-2	Literacy Practice for 3-5	Literacy Practice for all ages
www.starfall.com	World's Worst Pet-free app for vocabulary practice	VocabularySpellingCity-free app
sight words learning game-free app	Study Island-your child can log on at home with Clever and earn blue ribbons!	iBooks-free app
our story for iPad-free app		Bluster-free app for vocabulary practice
		www.readwritethink.org
		www.storylineonline.net

Math Practice

Study Island for grades 3^{rd} , 4^{th} , & 5^{th} - your child can log on at home on their iPad with Clever and earn blue ribbons using an internet connection.

<u>www.multiplication.com</u> can be used for fluency practice. There are tabs for addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. They also offer the popular multi-player games for each operation as well.

https://www.mathgames.com/grades/
This website offers skill practice by grade level. It works well with Chrome and a flash player.

The coaches are always available to answer any questions or concerns you may have in regards to your child's academic achievement.

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