

Camp Creek Weekly Paws

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Dates to Remember January 11 – January 15

Monday	9:15 A.M. – 2 nd Grade AR Ceremonies 10:00 A.M. – 4 th Grade AR Ceremonies 3:20-4:30 P.M. – Troop 1187 Meeting	Day 2
Tuesday	3:25-5:30 P.M. – Chess Clubs	Day 3
Wednesday	12:30 P.M. – Kindergarten Arts in Education 3:40-4:45 P.M. – Readers Rally Team Meeting	Day 4
Thursday		Day 5
Friday	Spirit Wear Day	Day 6

Principal's Notes

Happy New Year and Welcome Back to School! We've welcomed the new year with some wonderful news!

- ❖ Camp Creek ES was announced as the winner of the **2009 Single Statewide Accountability System (SSAS) Award**. The hard work of our teachers, students, and parents has earned our school

the **SILVER** award for outstanding student achievement! The SSAS competition for a Silver Award in the highest performance category is impressive. Schools must meet 3 criteria to be determined winners:

- a) Make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for 2 consecutive years
- b) Demonstrate that at least 25% of the students exceed standards in all test areas as measured by State assessments
- c) Demonstrate that at least 96% of students meet or exceed standards as measured by state assessments.

Camp Creek is one of only 30 schools in the state of Georgia to receive this award!

- ❖ Camp Creek ES PTA has been awarded the 2009-2010 Lowe's Toolbox for Education grant from the Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation. Doug Taylor, PTA Chair for the Outdoor Classroom, wrote the grant for materials to enhance our outdoor classroom and science curriculum. Included in the materials are an outdoor shed to house gardening tools, shovels, rakes, weather station kits, tables, and field guides for identifying birds, plants, and insects. The school will receive \$4,775.00 from Lowe's for these improvements!!!! Many thanks to Doug Taylor for his work in obtaining this important grant!!

Have a great weekend and keep warm!!

Kathy Jones, Principal

Personal Safety Lessons

During the months of January and February, the two school counselors will be presenting personal safety lessons, including information about child sexual abuse, to every grade level. Mrs. Zamora will be presenting lessons to kindergarten, third and fifth grades, while Mrs. Tweed will be presenting lessons to first, second and fourth grades. You will be given the opportunity to preview these materials in a small room off the media center, if you are interested. We are primarily looking at the dates between Jan. 6 and Jan. 13 for parent preview, but we will have other times, if needed. Upon conclusion of this preview week, we will begin these lessons. If you would like to see the material we will be using, please call your counselor and arrange a day and time that will work for you. We will give the media

center staff a schedule of the times so they will know when to expect you. A letter with more details will be coming home during the month of December and, of course, we are always available to answer questions if you would like to call.

Environmental Update

Camp Creek Students participated in a newspaper recycling contest in celebration of America Recycles Day. Students brought in newspapers to be recycled from November 15 through December 14. A total of 29 classes and 89 students participated. We recycled 1,419 inches!!! Mrs. Malloy's class won top honors by bringing in 433 inches, Mrs. Olson's class came in second with 219 inches and Mrs. Kruse came in third with 116. Mrs. Malloy's class won a bowling party for the whole class at Brunswick Zone Lilburn and each child that participated won a free bowling pass there. A huge thank you goes to Brunswick Zone Lilburn for supporting us. Keep Recycling.



Weekly PAWS PTA Points

Yearbook Update:

The final date by which you can put a personalization on your yearbook is the 25th of January.

The book is \$32.00 and purchasing now is the only way to ensure your student gets a copy come signing day in May.

<http://jostensyearbooks.com?REF=A01454310>

5th Grade Recognition Photos and copy are due by January 15th.

Teachers: If you have group photos or pictures of your class that you would like to use in the yearbook please send them to me. The class photos are blocked from being copied on-line and the software used to post them at the school sites reduces the photos to non-printable quality for the yearbooks. I have seen several great photos that I am unable to access.

Also, if you have received new students or some other class change please e-mail me asap. We go to print on the class pages within a week. If you e-mail me I will work with you to get your new student photographed and in the yearbook.

No photos have been received from the 5th grade musical, so if you have some send them my way, please.

Time is of the essence for any photo submissions. Any questions,
yearbook@campcreekpta.com

Thank you,

Victoria Taylor
PTA Yearbook Chair