

Camp Creek Weekly Paws



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Dates to Remember November 23 – November 27

Monday	1 st Grade Hi-Touch/Hi-Tech	Day 5
Tuesday 3:25-5:30 P.M. – Chess Clubs	1 st Grade Hi-Touch/Hi-Tech	Day 6
Wednesday - Friday	Thanksgiving Holidays	

November 30 – December 4

Monday	3:20-4:30 P.M. – Troop 1187 Meeting	Day 6
Tuesday	10:00 A.M. – PTA Officers' Meeting 3:30-5:00 P.M. – Brownie Troop #51205 Meeting	Day 7
Wednesday		Day 8
Thursday		Day 1
Friday	Spirit Wear Day 8:00 A.M. - Chorus	Day 2

Principal's Notes

I am pleased to announce that Camp Creek has been chartered as a National Honor Society Elementary School! The National Honor Society is a student recognition program designed to recognize outstanding elementary school students. Based on the national guidelines, our chapter will perform four projects or activities each year that support student leadership and volunteer service events. Our school sponsors, Ms. Will, Mrs. Streich, and Mrs. Franceour are working on the application process that will include criteria for membership. Fourth and fifth graders who exhibit scholarship, responsibility, leadership, and service will be able to apply. Watch for details soon! We are also proud of our new Student Council for 2009-2010. These students were elected by their classroom peers to represent their class on the Council. Our Camp Creek Student Council performs several service projects during the year and meets with me to suggest improvements for students at our school. Congratulations to the following students:

2009-2010 Camp Creek Student Council

Teacher / Grade	Name of Representative	Name of Alternate
Bandy - 3 rd	Natalie Magill	Cory Roberts
Burkhalter - 3 rd	Grace Norton	Lydia Bullard

Cheek - 3rd	Lexye Hill	Amy Wang
Fradly - 3 rd	Emily Bacik	Phillip Hensley
Frihart - 3rd	Brady English	Jacob Tyson
Hayes - 3 rd	Alexander Hall	Caroline Knudsen
Scott - 3 rd	Tega Habtemariam	Jackson Lewis
Upreti - 3rd	Rashonte Martin	Emily Wildgen
Britt/Reeves - 4th	Mirian Sawyer	Tyla Headley
Boutin – 4th	Amari Mitnaul	Carla Wempe
Jory – 4th	Noah Brown	Carson Roark
Moritz – 4th	Hannah Whitlock	Christian Malloy
Olson – 4 th	Christian Corsello	Elizabeth Karivelil
Santana – 4 th	Sinan Virani	Smriti Suresh
Walker – 4th	Mallory Staubach	Carter Swain
Armstrong – 5th	Cody Collett	Kaylah Lovelace
Coffee – 5 th	Rumka Gill	Allyson Bonfield
Florey – 5th	Tola Oguyale	
Johnston – 5h	Sophia Magill	
McClellan – 5 th	Mohammad Makhmudov	Allyson Jones
Murphy – 5th	Hannah Staubach	Laila Jarrad
Swingle – 5th	Peyton Dunham	Lexie Reed

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday!

Kathy Jones, Principal

THANK YOU>THANK YOU>THANK YOU!

To our wonderful Media Center volunteers and fabulous Book Fair helpers, words cannot express our deep appreciation for your hard work during the Book Fair. The Media Center would have to close during the Book Fair if we were not blessed with a dedicated group of volunteers. You ran the circulation desk, shelved cartload after cartload of books, and helped those who needed assistance. Thanks to Pattiann Taylor for coordinating the Media Center volunteers.

The Book Fair is a huge event and wouldn't run so well without the hardworking group of volunteers. You helped in so many ways – decorating, setting up, running the scanners, and restocking each day. Thanks to Rachel Knapp for decorating and coordinating the Book Fair helpers. We appreciate each and every one of you,
Mrs. Houghton and Mrs. Knox

Label Contest Results

The Fall Label Contest was a huge success due to so many students bringing in their labels. We collected a total of 13,755 labels!

The winner, by only 29 labels, was 2nd grade with 3438 labels. Way to go!

The other grade levels submitted the following:

- 5th grade- 3409
- 3rd grade- 2116
- 4th grade- 1865
- 1st grade- 1570
- Kindergarten- 1357

Keep saving your BoxTops and Campbell's labels for the next contest. The grade level with the most labels turned in between now and Spring Break will win the next movie party! The labels can be turned in at any time to your child's grade level chairperson. Please note: due to issues with the collection of the Nabisco wrappers and the juice boxes, we are no longer accepting them for the TerraCycle program.

Questions? Contact Christine Anderson at christine_anderson@gwinnett.k12.ga.us

Create a Green Thanksgiving:

Thanksgiving is a time to give thanks, so why not show the Earth some gratitude this year? Prepare an eco-friendly feast that even Mother Nature would be proud of. Here are some small things you can share with your parents to make a difference.

Bring Your Own Bag

Shop for the holidays with a reusable fabric bag. You'll help reduce the volume of plastic bags that make their way to landfills, waterways, and oceans each year.

Turn Down The Heat

With all the heat produced from cooking a giant feast, your house will be warmer than usual. Turn down the thermostat at least two degrees.

Let's Talk Turkey

The big meal is over, so what will you do with all the leftover turkey? Don't let it go to waste. Using the extra meat, make a delicious soup you can gobble down for several days.

Be Green By Giving

Help those who need it this holiday. If you have any extra food items or canned goods, donate to a local shelter or your school's care team.

Buy Locally

Produce travels an average of 1,500 miles before reaching your home. Look for ingredients at a nearby farmers' market to avoid harmful emissions created by transporting food from far away. Or better yet, eat lower on the food chain!

Avoid Wasting Food

The number of garbage trucks Americans fill each year would stretch to the moon. Create natural fertilizer by composting vegetable scraps.

Make Green Decorations

Make your own festive holiday table decorations. Create a colorful centerpiece using fruit and vegetables that you can eat later.

Source: National Geographic for Kid; Allie Benjamin



Weekly PAWS PTA Points



Yearbook

Ask your student if they have seen the previews for Back to School and Boosterthon. A big thank you to Ms. Houghton for displaying the previews during the Morning Announcements. I will send more as they are completed.

The yearbook is still being sold for \$32.00

On-line Ordering Link: <http://jostensyearbooks.com?REF=A01454310>

Photo Submissions

Here is how you can submit photos online:

- Go to: <https://images.jostens.com/login>
- If it does not automatically log you into the site, enter username:400001801 and password:campcreek
- Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload.

- Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
- Click "Save Details".

Any questions, yearbook@campcreekpta.com

Victoria Taylor
PTA Yearbook Chair

Reflections 2009:
"Beauty Is..."

This year's Reflections theme, "Beauty Is..." resulted in many beautiful works of art. Over 100 entries were submitted to the Camp Creek competition. Twenty of those works were submitted to the Gwinnett County Area I competition. On November 7, eight Camp Creek students had their beautiful works further recognized by winning first place ribbons at the Gwinnett County PTA Area I Council Reflections Exhibition, held at the Hudgens Center for the Arts. These students will have their work advance to the state level of competition, which will be judged in late December. The state winners will be announced in February of 2010. Congratulations to the following students:

Reshma Hakani, 1st grade
1st place Literature

Saman Khorasi, 5th grade
1st place Literature

Sarah McHan, 2nd grade
1st place Musical Composition

Abigail Hall, Kindergarten
1st place Photography

Morgan Hill, 4th grade
1st place Photography

John Rittenberry, 4th grade
1st place Video/Film Production

Peyton Haislip, 1st grade
1st place Visual Arts

Jane Zen, 5th grade
1st place Visual Arts

We are very proud of you! Best of luck at state!

Thank you to all the students who took the time to enter their works of art. We look forward to seeing your ideas expressed at next year's competition! Parents and friends are invited to see this year's Camp Creek entries for Visual Arts and Photography displayed in the front hall of our school.

The Reflections Committee

December

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		1 8 10:00 AM – PTA Officers' Mtg. 3:25-5:30 - Chess 3:30-5:00 – Brownie Troop #51205 Mtg.	2 1	3 2	4 3 Spirit Wear Day 8:00 A.M. - Chorus	5
6	7 4 Snow Village Construction 7:00 PM – PTA Board Meeting	8 5 9:00-10:30 A.M. - Snow Village Construction in Cafe 3:25-5:30 - Chess	9 6 Snow Village on Display in MC 3:40-4:45 – Readers' Rally Team Mtg.	10 7 Staff Holiday Luncheon/PTA Dessert 7:00 P.M. - Board of Ed. Meeting	11 8 Spirit Wear Day 7:45 A.M. – Student Council Meeting In Computer Lab Downstairs 8:00 A.M. - Chorus	12 <i>Hanukkah</i> through 12/19
13	14 1 7:00 P.M. - PTA Meeting/5 th Grade Chorus Program Snow Village on Display in MC 3:20-4:30 PM – Troop 1187 Mtg.	15 2 3:25-5:30 - Chess 3:30-5:00 – Brownie Troop #51205 Mtg.	16 3	17 4 Winter Break Parties	18 5 8:00 A.M. - Chorus End of 2nd Nine Weeks Winter Break Parties AR Deadline	19
20	21 Winter Break	22	23	24	25 → <i>Christmas</i>	26
27	28 Winter Break	29	30	31		

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