Welcome Back and Happy New Year to each of our Camp Creek ES families!

Please be sure to read PG. 2 of this issue of Weekly Paws regarding updated information on school-issued device distribution.

In addition, be sure to checkout the “Handbook Highlight” on PG. 5 regarding STUDENT BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS.

Weather watchers say we’re in for a cold and wet winter - unless they’re mistaken. Either way, it’s important to know how to prepare yourself and your family for winter conditions and their impact on the school day.

Click here to find some things to remember about how GCPS handles school cancellations for inclement weather: https://bit.ly/gcps_W1-22

Please note that due to the increase in community spread, we are returning to limiting visitors into the school building at this time.

Additional communication will be shared as we are able to re-open opportunities for volunteers and visitors!

As part of its calendar development process, GCPS gathered feedback on calendar options for the next school year. With this feedback, GCPS has finalized the 2022-23 school calendar. Click here to see the 2022-23 calendar: https://bit.ly/22-23GCPScalendar

REMINDER: In observation of MLK DAY, there is NO SCHOOL on Monday, January 17.

Valerie W. Robinett

Upcoming Events

January 17
MLK DAY  Student/Teacher Holiday

January 18

January 25
LOS HERMANOS NIGHT

January 28
Visit with Valerie
Virtual Format  (MORE INFO TO FOLLOW)

February 1

FIND US ON FACEBOOK

Find us on Facebook

Our FB page will help to keep you CONNECTED to all the great events and happenings taking place at Camp Creek ES!

Look for us as “Cubby Connects”

Weekly Paws
January 7, 2022
Starting today, all students in Grades 2-5 with a completed GCPS Responsible Use of Electronic Media for Students form will bring home a school-issued device so that they are prepared for any, or all, of the following:

- unplanned moves to digital learning due to COVID protocols
- pre-planned digital learning days (January 25 - March 2 - March 22) AND/OR
- inclement weather.

While we do not anticipate a transition to digital instruction at this time, we do want to be prepared for the possibility.

If you have a device at home and DO NOT want your student(s) in Grades 2-5 transporting a school-issued device on a daily basis, please email the teacher(s) directly to let them know you are choosing to opt out.

Parents of KINDERGARTEN and FIRST GRADE students have already been provided with the opportunity to complete a Camp Creek ES Semester 2 Device Checkout Survey that helped us determine which of our students in Grades K-1 will transport a school-issued device on a daily basis.

For those parents who choose to have your student(s) continue with the daily transportation of a school-issued device option, please help us by:

- adhering to the terms and conditions outlined in the GCPS Responsible Use of Electronic Media for Students form.
- reminding students to bring their device to school each day, along with the charging cord, so we are able to continue using the devices for classroom learning.

### Responsible Use of Electronic Media for Students

Gwinnett County Public Schools (GCPS) recognizes that the use of technology is prevalent in society. Students and staff have access to the Internet, cell phones, games, and a variety of personal technology devices. Students and staff utilize social media websites and applications as well as a variety of other digital resources that allow them to interact, share, create and innovate. Staff members utilize these same resources as a means to effectively engage students, motivate student learning, and collaborate with colleagues.

When using GCPS technology or network access, students are expected to follow the Student Conduct Behavior Code, including respecting others’ privacy. Online student accounts are to be used for legitimate educational purposes and will be subject to monitoring and review, including review of text and attachments that are related to that student or students. At NO TIME should a student consider GCPS e-mail, networked applications, or account or technology access private or confidential in any way.

While the school district does maintain Internet filters, there may be times when a student may accidentally or purposely discover inappropriate materials online. Gwinnett County Public Schools DOES NOT CONDONE the use of such materials. Inappropriate use of GCPS technology or network access is a violation of the Student Conduct Behavior Code.

Access is a privilege, not a right, and all students are expected to treat this learning tool with respect. GCPS technology, network access, and electronic resources must not be used to:

- Harm other people.
- Interfere with other people’s work.
- Steal property.
- Gain unauthorized access to other people’s files or programs.
- Gain unauthorized access to online resources, including using someone else’s password.
- Make changes to the hardware or software configuration of any machine, including installing or deleting any software.
- Improperly use the network, including introducing software viruses and/or bypassing local school or office security policies.
- Steal or damage data and/or computers and network equipment.
- Access, upload, download, and/or distribute pornographic, hate oriented, profane, obscene, or sexually explicit material.

Failure to follow these guidelines can violate the Official Code of Georgia, O.C.G.A., Codes 16-9-90, 16-9-91, 16-9-93, and 16-9-93.1 as well as Title XVII of United States Public Law 106-554, known as the Children’s Internet Protection Act. Such use can also lead to disciplinary actions, up to and including loss of access to GCPS technology resources and further disciplinary actions as defined by existing GCPS policies. Such disciplinary actions may include confiscation of technology being used inappropriately if an incident occurs.
**SPECIALS schedule**

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**BRUSTER’S**

**Scoop Night**

Tuesday, January 18

- Any purchase made from 5-8 PM on 1/18 will benefit our school.
- Don't forget to tell them you are from Camp Creek Elementary.
- Bruster’s is located at 5314 Five Forks Trickum Road Lilburn, GA 30047.
- Bruster’s has requested that customers *please practice safe social distancing!*
Join us for the upcoming Camp Creek ES LOS HERMANOS NIGHT!

- A percentage of all food sales will go to benefit our school.
- Be sure to tell your server that you are a Camp Creek family.

Tuesday, January 25
4760 Lawrenceville Hwy NW Lilburn, GA 30047 {5:00-8:00 PM}

Join us for the upcoming Camp Creek ES Chick-Fil-A SPIRIT NIGHT!

Tuesday, February 1

- Join us for Chick-fil-A Night on Tuesday, February 1 from 5-7 PM.
- A percentage of all food sales will go to benefit our school.
- Be sure to state that you are a Camp Creek family when you place your order.
- Chick-fil-A is located at 4801 Lawrenceville Highway in Lilburn.
Birthdays

We always look forward to recognizing and celebrating our students' birthdays during the year. If you like, you may send in cookies or cupcakes and napkins for the class to share on or near your child's birthday. Summer birthdays and birthdays that occur during holidays may be celebrated at a time of your convenience. **We ask that you make prior arrangements with the teacher before treats are brought to school.** Because these events cannot be school parties, **no beverages or party favors** can be sent to school. Birthday celebrations should be a small treat, not a meal (ex. pizza). Great care is taken here to be sensitive to the needs and feelings of our children. With that in mind, we ask that invitations to private birthday parties be mailed to students' homes or that parents are contacted by telephone. We cannot distribute invitations at school. Your understanding is appreciated.
At this time, we have made the decision to postpone the upcoming Camp Creek ES International Night and are looking to secure an alternate date in mid-to-late February.

We are hopeful to be able to host this event and will keep you posted on a reschedule date!

International Night • January 24

We are looking forward to hosting our International Night Celebration on Monday, January 24, 2022.

Please email us for any questions you may have, and we hope you all can help us make this night fun and memorable!

Carrie McColgan & Iris Jimenez

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