

The Mountain Minutes
Principal's Weekly Newsletter
For the Week of November 9, 2009

Charter Planning meeting November 9th at 7pm for parents and staff

Iowa Test of Basic Skills

Our second - fifth grade students will be taking the ITBS during the week of November 9th. A letter has been sent home with these students giving the details of testing. As always, we want our students to do their very best on this nationally normed achievement test. You can help by making sure that your child gets adequate rest during testing week, has a healthy but not huge breakfast, and attends school on time each day. Students arriving after testing begins will have to wait in the office and make up what was missed later. Often, make-up testing does not reflect a child's best effort.

Veterans' Day Celebration

Please join us on November 11th at 1:00 for our Veterans' Day Celebration! Lt. Governor Casey Cagle will be our keynote speaker. The North Georgia Cadet Choir will perform and The White County Color Guard will present colors. Please invite all veterans that you know to attend this event so that we may honor them.

A Little Help with Car Riders

Please help us serve you better by pulling all the way up to the arrows in the car rider lane. By pulling all of the way up, you enable us to unload three or four additional cars which speeds the process up for everyone. Also, please have bookbags packed, ice cream money and hugs & kisses given before stopping - it will help speed things up if the children are ready to get out of the car as soon as you are stopped. Thanks for your consideration and understanding.

Sock Hop

Put on your poodle skirts, ladies...and gents, slick back your hair for a fun night of dancin' around the clock! The annual Sock Hop is November 12th from 6-8pm in the gym. There is a \$2 admission to cover the cost of the DJ and PTO will be selling pizza and other concessions. *Be there or be square!*

Note: students may wear their fifties attire to school on the 12th.

Early Release and Thanksgiving Holidays

Students will be released at 11:20 on November 24th and will be out of school November 25-27 for Thanksgiving holidays.

Student Council Recycling Drive

The SCA is collecting old cell phones, ink jet cartridges, laptops, iPods, and digital cameras to raise funds for their club and to reduce the effect of our carbon footprints on the environment. Please send in items to the office and we will get them to SCA.

Hoopin' It Up Cougar Style

Come have fun with your friends and show off your basketball skills at Wauka Mountain Booster Club's Basketball Fun Day. Participants will compete in contests such as HOT SHOT, FREE THROW, and GOTCHA. This is for children in grades first-sixth and will be on Saturday, November 21st from 10:00-12:30 at the North Hall High School Gym. The cost is \$5 and the deadline to pre-register is November 12th. Registration will also be open from 9:15-9:45 on November 21st. A registration form was sent home with the students from the Booster Club.

Wauka Multiple Intelligences Academy shirts

The students at the Lanier Career Academy have a business where they make screen-printed shirts. We used them to make the shirts that some of you ordered for the Multiple Intelligences Academy. Mrs. McClain has emailed us and said that most of the shirts will be delivered during the week of November 9th. Thank you for your patience - we are excited about the shirts and excited that some of Hall County's finest students were able to make them for us.

Calendar of Events

Nov. 9-13: ITBS for 2nd-5th grade students
Nov. 9: Parent Charter Planning Meeting, 7pm
Nov. 11: Veterans' Day Celebration, 1:00
Nov. 12: Fifties Day and Sock Hop, 6-8pm
Nov. 13: Chick-Fil-A biscuit sale, Report Cards
Nov. 17: Skate Night, 6-8pm

Nov. 17: School Council, 7:30 a.m., in the media center
 Nov. 24: Early Release at 11:20
 Nov. 25-27: Thanksgiving holidays
 Dec. 5: Breakfast with Santa
 Dec. 7: Student Council meeting - students need notes
 Dec. 8: Booster Club Meeting, 7pm
 Dec. 11: Chick-Fil-A biscuit sale
 Dec. 15: Skate Night, 6-8pm
 Dec. 16: 3rd grade holiday party, 8:30 a.m.
 5th grade holiday party
 Dec. 17: kindergarten holiday party, 8:30 a.m.
 Second grade holiday party, 9:30 a.m.
 Fourth grade holiday party, 10:45 a.m.
 Dec. 18: First grade holiday party, 10:00 a.m.
 CAMP PJ day for K-2
 Early Release, 11:20
 Dec. 19-Jan. 5: WINTER BREAK
 Jan. 5: T-Ball registration, 6-8pm
 Jan. 6: Report cards
 Jan. 7: T-Ball registration, 6-8pm
 Jan. 8: Chick-Fil-A Biscuit Sale
 Jan. 9: Baseball/Softball registration, 10:00-1:00
 Jan. 11: Student Council meets after school
 Jan. 13: Baseball/Softball registration, 6-8pm
 Jan. 14: Baseball/Softball registration, 6-8pm
 Jan. 15: Early Release, 12:20
 Jan. 18: Holiday
 Jan. 19: Skate Night, 6-8pm
 Jan. 21: PTO, 7pm
 Jan. 22: Chick-Fil-A biscuit Sale
 Starlab visits 4th grade
 Jan. 26: Carmen Deedy (storyteller) visits Wauka