

THE CARTER CONNECTION

February 15, 2012



**Our School Mission is...Each student will demonstrate strength of character and is college ready
"We are the Macon Miracle!"**



HOLIDAYS!

School will be closed on Monday, February 20th for Presidents' Day. Winter Holidays will be Tuesday, February 21st and Wednesday, February 22nd. There will be no school for students or staff February 20-22. Enjoy your time off!

STRATEGIC PLANNING INFORMATION

We would like to provide all of our parents and school community with an opportunity to provide feedback concerning the District's Strategic Plan. Please look for a letter from Mrs. Reeves for additional information and a feedback form for your convenience in today's folder. Should you have further questions you may contact our school office.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS!



We are now taking nominations for one parent representative and one business representative for our Sonny Carter School Council, a group of parents, teachers, administrators and community members that meets regularly to discuss issues important to Sonny Carter and the school community. One representative will serve in the capacity of parent representative on the council; the other should be a businessperson/business-owner in the community, and may also be a parent in the school. Each representative must be able to serve for two years. Per Georgia law, each member is required to attend training annually and pass a criminal background check. The member(s) would be required to attend council meetings regularly and/or be available through teleconferencing as specified in the Sonny Carter School Council By-laws. Members of the electing body (parents or guardians eligible to serve as a parent member of the school council) may use forms available in the school office to nominate a Sonny Carter School parent of good character who would be an asset to this council. Please request permission from the nominee and submit his/her name. All nominations must be turned in by March 16th.

PRE-K REGISTRATION

Pre-K Registration will be held at the new Welcome Center located at 2003 Riverside Drive. Registration dates are March 6-30, 2012 Monday-Friday from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm. Saturday registration dates are March 10th & 24th from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. The following documents are required for registration; Child's Social Security Card, Child's Birth Certificate, and Proof of Residence (Phone, gas, water, electric, or cable bill).



THANK YOU!

Thank you to Cybil Blalock from Mercer for donating a free ticket to attend a Men's or Women's Basketball game to each child as a kick off for our Literacy Night! Students may start bringing in books for the book swap during Literacy Night. For every three books donated the students will earn book bucks to use get one book back.

YEARBOOK ORDERS

Yearbook orders must be in by Friday, Feb. 24th Look for forms in today's folder.

GOTTA KEEP READING!

We kicked off our monthly reading time last Wednesday. Students and staff read the last 20 minutes of the day. The next reading time will be Wednesday, February 29th. All are welcome to join us from 2:50-3:10 pm.

LITERACY NIGHT



We are preparing for Literacy Night that will be held on Tuesday, February 28th from 6-7:30 pm. We will have Seka the reading dog, doctors, servicemen, and athletes who will read to us. We will hold a book swap, a make and take, and much more! We hope you will be able to join us!

SIX FLAGS SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Reading logs for the Six Flags Summer Reading Program are due on Friday, February 24th. If you have run out of room on your form you may log the hours on a sheet of paper.



FAMILY LINK ON FIRST IN MATH!

Through the hard work of our students, Carter has earned the Family Link feature of the First In Math program. A First in Math user name and password has been made available for one family member per student. Please click on Family Link on your child's First In Math homepage to learn more.



HEARTS FOR HAITI

Our REACH students are selling green "Hearts for Haiti" bracelets to raise money to help build an orphanage in Haiti. This orphanage will provide a home for some of the million children who became orphans after the devastating earthquake that hit Haiti. To learn more visit the Hearts for Haiti web site at www.flmml.org Bracelets are just \$1 and are available for purchase each morning in the front hall in front of the REACH room.

GEORGIA NATURAL GAS

Switch to become a Georgia Natural Gas customer and help our school raise money! Visit www.trueblueschools.com or call **1.866.ONLYGNG**. SAVE up to 15¢ per-therm on your gas bill. Be sure to use the promo code TRUEBLUE. GNG pays \$5 every month to our school. If 100 people sign up that's \$6,000 a year! Existing customers can participate to help our school earn too. Just visit www.trueblueschools.com or call 1.866.ONLYGNG and use promo code: **TRUEBLUE**



BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION



Keep clipping those Box Tops! Sonny Carter will be having a competition to see which class can collect the most Box Tops! During the month of February each class will be collecting and keeping their Box Tops for Education. Each class will turn in ALL their Box Tops on Wednesday Feb 29. The class with the most Box Tops wins a Pizza Party! Remember that Campbell Soup Labels, Sonny D labels, and soda can tab tops DO NOT COUNT for this competition! So start looking for those Box Tops that are hiding in your pantry, refrigerator, and all over your house!

LUNCH MENU

(PB & J Sandwich available every day)
Thurs: Fish Nuggets or Cheeseburger
Fri: Meat Loaf or Grilled Cheese Sandwich
Mon: No School
Tues: No School
Wed: No School



You may view the full lunch menu online at http://www.bibb.k12.ga.us/images/Elementary_Menu.pdf

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb. 20th...Presidents' Day School Closed
Feb. 21-22...Winter Break School Closed
Feb. 24th...Six Flags Reading Logs Due
Feb. 28th...Literacy Night
Feb. 29th...Gotta Keep Reading
March 1st...Yearbook Meeting 3:25-3:55pm
March 6-30 Pre-K Registration
March 7th...5th Grade Writing Assessment
March 7th...Technology Club Meeting
March 20th...Grand Affair Event
March 23rd...Hoops for Heart
March 26-30...Spring Break
April 5th...Spring Picture Day
April 9-27...CRCT Assessment Window



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We love to share information about our students and keep our Carter Community informed. If you have information to be shared in the Carter Connection, please send it to Kelly Ennis in the media center. You can also email her at kennis.carter@bibb.k12.ga.us.