COLT CONNECTION

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PRINICIPALS CORNER

Have you ever thought intentionally about the process of learning something? When you do, you realize that it is a highly complex process, an ebb and flow between what knowledge the learner already has, a direction for what is to be learned, a filling of gaps through experiences real or manufactured.

Think about the "power" the learner has over the learning to be had. Only the learner truly knows when new learning occurs. The learners must share what's going on inside themselves to learn further what they think and why they believe what they share. That's one of the many reasons learning is a communicative and collaborative process.

Wow! Learning is not as simplistic as some make it seem.

What can you do? Intentionally and consistently ask your child what they are thinking, what they want to know, prompt them to think of other possibilities, perspectives, and how they can access various means of learning. In doing so, you will help your child in ways that you may never know.

As always, thank you for the privilege to serve as your principal.

Sincerely, Ron

IMPRESSIONS ART CONTEST

Using the theme "My Happiest Memory" create a piece of artwork through writing, dance, photography, or other visual artwork mediums.



Monday, January 31, 2022, through Friday, February 4, 2022 Deadline for entries: February 4th, 2022

Drop-off entries January 31st through February 4th to the Impressions box near the front office. Visual Art and Photography entries need to be wrapped in clear plastic to ensure its protection.

All submissions are due by Friday, February 4th. Fill out one <u>Student</u> <u>entry form</u> per artwork entry. Let your creativity shine while creating artwork from your happiest memories!

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CAFÉ' MENUS BREAKFAST & LUNCH

Click <u>here</u> to view the menu options for February.



DATES TO REMEMBER



Student Staff Holiday Friday, February 18, 2022 Monday, February 21, 2022

Professional Development (Student Holiday) **Tuesday, February 22, 2022** Might to Shine

Save the Date KME FATHER DAUGHTER DANCE

Sunday, March 20, 2022

Please click the link below to RSVP:

Father Daughter Day Dance RSVP





5th GRADE YEARBOOK ADS

Graduation time is getting closer! If you would like to honor your 5th grader in the yearbook, you can purchase a yearbook ad for \$25!

Please follow the directions listed in the e-mail attachment walkthrough to purchase your 5th Grade ad. If you have questions, please call Balfour support at 1-800-944-5930.

Important Tips for 5th Grade Ads

- 1. You must purchase the ad at <u>www.balfour.com/georgia/cumming/kelly-mill-</u> <u>elementary-school</u> and then click 'Order Now'.
- 2. Once you have purchased the ad, you will receive a personalized link at the email address you provided within 24 hours
- 3. When you finish customizing the ad with pictures and a message, load it into the cart and submit it
- 4. All 5th Grade Ads are due no later than MARCH 1, 2022



LADY BULLDOG BASKETBALL ACADEMY



when March 7th – April 14th 6:00pm – 7:30pm

WHERE Forsyth Central HS Arena 131 Almon C. Hill Drive, Cumming, GA 30040

SOCIAL MEDIA



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GRADES 4TH- 8TH GRADES GIRLS ONLY

CAMP FEES \$104 (ONLINE PAYMENT) \$100 (CASH OR CHECK)

CAMP DATES

March: 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24, 28, & 31 April: 11 & 14

SKILL FOCUS

BALL HANDLING FOOTWORK SHOOTING REBOUNDING DEFENSE COMPETITION





MANGO LANGUAGE CLASSES



Hello parents of ESOL students!

Would you like to learn a new language? You can learn English, Spanish, French, Hindi, Korean and many others! Mango is free through the Forsyth County Public Library! Please join our presentation.

When: Thursday, February 9,2022 at 5:00 p.m.

Where: Virtually



iHola padres de estudiantes de ESOL!

¿Te gustaría aprender un nuevo idioma? iPuedes aprender inglés, español, francés, hindi, coreano y muchos otros! iEl mango es gratis a través de la Biblioteca Pública del Condado de Forsyth! Únase a nuestra presentación.

Cuándo: jueves 9 de febrero de 2022 a las 17:00 h.

Dónde: Virtualmente

Por favor envieme un correo electrónico si se va a unir, y le enviaré el enlace. Secrawford@forsyth.k12.ga.us





We are excited to share the dates for the 2021-2022 KME Art Club. This year, groups will be split into three different sessions: 4th & 5th grades, 2nd & 3rd grades, and Kindergarten & 1st grades. The calendar will look like this:

4th & 5th Grades

Art club will meet on Tuesdays January 18, 25, Feb. 1, 8, 15, and March 1. 8. 15. 22, and 29th. ***Please note, 4th and 5th students will need to pick either the play or Art Club. Students participating in Art Club will be working on the sets and scenery for the 4th and 5th grade play and therefore be the Tech Crew for the play.***

2nd & 3rd Grades

Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, and Nov. 1, 8, 15, and 16 (Tuesday) November 29 and December 6. All 2nd/3rd grade classes are on Monday except for November 16 which is a Tuesday.

Kindergarten & 1st Grades

March 7,14,21,28, April 11,18,25, and May 2,9, and 16.

All classes will work on group projects, along with some individual projects to take home at the end of the session.

Important Info:

- All sessions include a \$70 art materials fee.
- Classes will be from 2:45-3:45PM in the art room.
- Unless there is an emergency or an excused absence, students are expected to attend all classes, so they have time to complete their projects.
- Kindergarten/1st grade club and 2nd/3rd grade club will meet on Mondays, while 4th/5th grade club will meet on Tuesdays. A link to the KME Art club registration will be included in Colt Connection, Thursday folders, and the teacher's weekly newsletter. Art Club is open to all the students in the grade level; however, spots are limited and are on a first come, first serve basis.
- Link will be on the grade level flyer and <u>Facebook</u> before 3:00PM on September 30.
- Registration for 2nd/3rd grades opens Thursday, September 30 at 3:00PM. Please see 2nd/3rd grade flyer for the QR code and payment information.

Registration for 4th/5th graders ONLY will be on January 12th at 3:00PM.

CARPOOL ETIQUETTE AT KME

Colt Families,

We will no longer allow parking during morning with a feature with a feature of the parking longer and students will be asked to remain in their vehicle until they have completed the car line.

We have staff members strategically placed throughout car line to help students with heavy items when needed. We recognize extenuating circumstances may happen from time to time. When this occurs, please use the visitor parking in the first row and escort your child and items to the front office. Our Colt's safety is our number one priority.

Thank you for helping keep our Colts safe.

DEADLINE FAST APPROACHING – VIRTUAL LEARNING IN 2022-2023

Beginning in the 2022-2023 school year, all Kindergarten - 12th grade students seeking full-time virtual education in Forsyth County Schools will be served through the **Forsyth Virtual Academy (FVA)**. The decision to participate in virtual instruction for the 2022-2023 school year is a one-year long commitment.

- The **elementary virtual program** will continue in a similar manner as it has the last two years with synchronous instruction. The teachers will be part of the FVA staff and will be housed in the ACE building. Students participating in this program will be full-time virtual students.
- The **middle school virtual program** will provide core content classes in Mathematics, English Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies along with several elective or connections classes. It is recommended that students be full-time participants and instruction is asynchronous.
- The **high school virtual program** offers a robust selection of classes, including the core academic courses, many AP courses, and electives. Instruction will be asynchronous.

FCS created an informational video about our fulltime virtual options. <u>Click here</u> to see this video.

To be eligible for participation in full-time virtual instruction during the 2022/2023 school year, parents/guardians must complete the virtual enrollment survey by **clicking here**.

The deadline for completing this survey and full-time enrollment in virtual instruction is February 7, 2022.

If the survey is not completed by the deadline, the student will not be eligible for the fulltime virtual option.



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