THE PANDA POST

Week of October 29th - November 2nd

Arcado Elementary School

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Red Ribbon Week

Please join Arcado as we celebrate making healthy choices during Red Ribbon Week! Our theme this year is "Life is your journey - travel drug free." We want to celebrate all of the healthy choices we make in our lives that will positively impact our present and futures! Each day we will have a different "dress-up" theme. Please encourage your students to participate in this positive initiative!



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October 29 - N ovember 2 Red Ribbon Week

November 3 Arcado Fall Festival lpm-5pm

November 6 Election Day NO SCHOOL

Literacy Tip of the Week Focus: KEEP A SCRAPBOOK



Encourage your child to keep important items and pictures from their lives. They can use these items and pictures to write what they remember about them. You and your child could write down these stories together. This not only supports writing, but also reading as they can read about these past moments to rekindle the memories. This will also help students to generate writing topics at school.

Media Moment: Smithsonian Art Museum at Arcado!



What fun Mrs. Haney's third grade students had in the Media Center with a teleconference to the Smithsonian Art Museum Friday, October 19th! Using PolyCom equipment and technology, students were able to view Native American art from the Smithsonian Art Museum in Washington, D.C. Students were also able to explore the histories and cultures of some American Indians with an influence of geography, tradition, and tribal affiliations. Students were enthralled by the virtual field trip using this technology. We look forward to more opportunities for classes to teleconference throughout the nation and world!

Happy Reading! Dr. Underwood, Media Specialist



the November 6 Election... Things to Know

The Gwinnett County Board of Education is asking voters to approve a General Obligation (G.O.) bond referendum in the upcoming General Election. If approved, the School Board will be authorized to sell up to \$350 million in G.O. bonds to fund capital improvements for schools throughout the county.

No tax increase will be needed if the bond referendum passes.

In fact, the School Board lowered the tax rate for debt sen/ice this year. Even at the lower rate, current taxes are sufficient to cover these bond payments, plus the payments for existing bonds that are being paid down each year.

The projects funded by the G.O. bonds would benefit every cluster, every school.

- Systemwide improvements to schools in every cluster, including general building renovations and maintenance, upgrades to labs and instructional spaces at middle and high schools, high school athletic facility improvements, intercom replacements, and artificial turf for athletic stadiums
- Enhancements to school safety systemwide
- Technology upgrades throughout the system
- New school buses and other transportation vehicles
- Other facility and infrastructure improvements in the district
- 1 new school— Mill Creek Cluster area high school
- Build-out at Discovery High School
- Renovations to Central Gwinnett High School's fine arts areas

The bond issue question is long... and is the last item on the ballot.



It reads: "Shall general obligation debt of the Gwinnett County School District in the principal amount of not to exceed \$350,000,000 be issued for the purpose of funding (i) all or a portion of the following projects for Gwinnett County School District: (A) developing, constructing and equipping new schools, support facilities and athletic facilities; (B) adding to, renovating, modernizing, improving and equipping existing schools, properties and support facilities of the Gwinnett School District; (C) enhancing school safety system-wide; (D) acquiring school buses and other transportation vehicles; (E) improving and modernizing technology and making system-wide technology improvements; and (F) otherwise improving and equipping facilities for educational purposes (collectively, the "Projects"); and (ii) paying costs of issuance of such general obligation debt?"

OTHER BALLOT NEED-TO-KNOWS...

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Voters in Gwinnett County Board of Education districts II and IV will elect new School Board members.

The candidates are:

District II: Steve Knudsen and Wandy Taylor District IV: Everton "E.J." Blair and Chuck Studebaker Gwinnett County Public Schools 437 Old Peachtree Road, NW Suwanee, GA 30024-2973 www.gwinnett.k12.ga.us September 2018



G.O. Bond Informational Flyer





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Save the Date Saturday, December 1,2018 5pm-9pm

GFWCLilburn Woman's Club Presents

Lilburn Christinas Tour of Homes

\$15 per person Advance Purchase \$20 per person evening of

purchase tickets in advance at <u>www.JiJburnwomanscJub.org</u>

Take a free set fie with Santa at Antiques in Oid Town in an antique sleigh from 5 to 9 pm

Refreshments provided by the Lilburn Woman's Club

