



# Hope-Hill Happenings

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## CALENDAR

- March 1-11**
  - Scholastic Book Fair
- Wednesday, March 6**
  - Help a Child Smile
- Friday, March 8**
  - 7:45 AM - Principal's Chat
  - 5:00 PM - PTA Indoor Movie Night (rescheduled)
- Tuesday, March 12**
  - Virtual Learning Day** - Students do not report to school campus
- Wednesday, March 13**
  - 7:00 PM - PTA Meeting on Zoom
- March 14-15**
  - 4th grade Field Trip to Blue Ridge
- Saturday, March 16**
  - 5th Grade Carwash
- March 18-19**
  - GATE Field Trip to Rock Eagle
- Tuesday, March 19**
  - 8:30 AM - Prospective Parent Tour

Dear Students, Parents, and Staff,

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

As we step into the month of March, I am excited to share some important updates and reminders to keep our school community informed and engaged.

Arrival and Dismissal Updates/Reminders: We want to ensure a smooth and safe arrival for all students. Please take note of the following:

- Morning Arrival:** Students can only be dropped off via the carpool lane or walked into the building via the Irwin Street Door from 7:15 AM to 7:45 AM. After 7:45 AM, please park your car in the MLK parking lot OR the back school lot and escort your child into the building. This ensures that your child is always supervised by an adult.
- Afternoon Dismissal:** Please refrain from arriving before 2:15 PM for carpool pick up. This is to allow students and staff returning from recess to safely enter the building without any disruptions. Additionally, idling engines pose safety risks to our students, so we appreciate your cooperation in reducing this practice.

Communication Channels: Stay connected with us through our various communication channels including Dojo, Twitter, Instagram, and our school website. These platforms will keep you updated with the latest happenings, events, and initiatives at our school. Your support and involvement are crucial to our success, and we value your partnership.

Thank you for your dedication to our school community. Let's work together to make March a month filled with growth, learning, and positive experiences for all.

Warm regards,  
*Keisha Gibbons, Principal*

## HOPE-HILL PTA Here are some ways to support the PTA this month:

**Volunteer at Indoor Movie Night** - Jobs include setting up, checking in guests, making popcorn, making cotton candy, tending the concession stand, and cleaning up after the event ends. More information about Movie Night can be found on the flyer sent home in Thursday folders. QR Code is below.

**Bring your family to Indoor Movie Night** - Let us know how many people we can expect. Scan the QR code below to R.S.V.P.

**Purchase Raffle Tickets** - Purchase as many tickets as you'd like for a chance to win half of the total proceeds! Money raised will help fund Field Day t-shirts for all students. More information can be found on the flyer sent home in Thursday folders. QR Code is below.

**Join the PTA** - Become an official member of our PTA. It's just \$10! Scan the QR Code below.

**Attend the PTA Meeting** - Our next meeting is Wednesday, March 13, at 7:00 PM on Zoom! Join us from the comfort of your home. A Zoom link will be sent out via email prior to the meeting.

Volunteer at  
Movie Night



R.S.V.P for  
Movie Night

Purchase  
Raffle Tickets



Join the  
PTA

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH



### 2nd Grade

**Fries** - Wesley Clark  
**Harper** - Ryhanna Reynolds  
**Randall** - Marion Mitchell  
**Williams** - Summer Cabey



### 3rd Grade

#### Pre-K

**Swan** - Passion Armstrong  
**Trahan** - Legacy McGuire

**Ellis** - Neva Fierman  
**Holmes** - Kejuan Copeland  
**Taylor** - Knowledge Lewis

### Kindergarten

**Bennett** - Kaydence Turner  
**Killebrew** - Brooke Turner  
**Kinder** - Kassidi Jackson  
**Smith** - Noah Grigsby

### 4th Grade

**Callender** - Tyler Copeland  
**Hamilton** - Kaleb Stansberry  
**Ruggs** - Ke'Mora Ragster



### 5th Grade

**1st Grade**  
**Anderson** - Heaven Worthy  
**Dorsey** - Ellis Ross  
**Turner** - Aurora Butler

**Campbell** - Zameriah Washington  
**Currie** - Sameer Staples  
**Spragin** - Aubrey Young  
**Walker** - Deon Watkins



As we dive into the month of March, we have exciting opportunities to celebrate both National Reading Month and Women's History Month. This year, we're also thrilled to commemorate Read Across America Week from March 2nd to March 8th, highlighting the works of the remarkable author, **Jacqueline Woodson**.

**National Reading Month: Cultivating a Love for Reading**

March is dedicated to celebrating the joys and benefits of reading. Reading is not just a fundamental skill; it's a gateway to exploration, imagination, and empathy. We encourage you to take this month as an opportunity to foster a love for reading within your child. Whether it's through bedtime stories, family reading sessions, or exploring the local library, let's make reading a cherished part of our daily routines.

**Women's History Month: Honoring Inspirational Women**

March is also Women's History Month, a time to recognize the incredible contributions of women throughout history. From trailblazing scientists to pioneering activists, women have played a pivotal role in shaping our world. This month, we encourage you to explore stories of remarkable women with your child. Let's inspire the next generation by sharing stories of courage, resilience, and achievement.

**Read Across America Week: Celebrating Jacqueline Woodson**

From March 2nd to March 8th, we'll be celebrating Read Across America Week, an annual event that coincides with the birthday of the beloved children's author, Dr. Seuss. **This year, we're excited to focus our attention on the works of Jacqueline Woodson.** An award-winning author known for her powerful narratives and lyrical prose, Woodson's stories resonate deeply with readers of all ages.

Thank you for your continued support in nurturing our students' literacy journey. Let's make this month a celebration of literature, women's achievements, and the captivating storytelling of Jacqueline Woodson.

Let's unlock the joy of reading through the fascinating world of math literature books. These books seamlessly blend mathematical concepts into storytelling, making math more engaging and accessible to young readers. By intertwining mathematical ideas into narratives, these books help children develop a deeper understanding and appreciation for math.

Explore our Math Literature virtual library, complete with videos of math read-alouds. Discover the magic of titles that seamlessly blend math and storytelling using the QR code. Some of these treasures may even be found in our school library or at your neighborhood library.

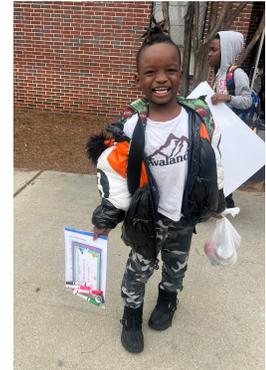
Let's embark on a journey where reading and math intertwine, creating a world of endless possibilities and learning opportunities.

This February we took 28 STEAM Ambassadors to the new Virginia-Highland Elementary School to participate in our 2nd annual **Midtown Cluster Field Trip**. Our Midtown High School students led different stations for the younger students. Students got to work with robotics, learn more about recycling, and create a 3D model of a butterfly life cycle. The students had a blast spending the day engaged in a variety of STEAM activities.

Before we left for winter break, every student—Kindergarten through fifth grade—received an engineering kit activity. The engineering activities were donated through our partnership with **Hands on Atlanta**. Hands on Atlanta will be back at Hope-Hill in March to work with students in creating a butterfly garden for our eagles to enjoy. Please be on the lookout for more pictures to come.

Lastly, we are very proud to announce that four of our Hope-Hill Eagles placed at the Atlanta Public Schools District Science Fair! **Waylon Fox** in fourth grade won 3rd place in the bronze category for engineering mechanics. **Olivia Miller** in Ms. Taylor's third-grade class placed first in the gold category for plant science. **Lior Shacham** in fourth grade won 1st place in the gold category for environmental engineering. Moreover, **Milan Magee** won 1st place in the gold category for microbiology. Our first-place winners will advance to the state science fair located at Georgia College and State University at the end of March.

STEAM Ambassadors wait patiently for the Midtown Cluster field trip to begin.



Our students were excited to receive engineering kits from Hands On Atlanta.



A Midtown High School student helps our kindergarten student.



Don't miss the Scholastic Book Fair!



March 1-11

Sign up for O4W5K! The race is on May 11, 2024. There is the traditional 5K, Kids Sprint, and virtual option. All proceeds go to the Hope-Hill Foundation.

Discount code: **HHFamily**

May 11, 2024  
7:15 AM - Kid's Sprint begins  
8:00 AM - O4W5K begins



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