



The Eagle Weekly

What Parents Need To Know Right Now!

September 25, 2007

Simpson Middle School

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Dates to Remember

Tuesday, September 25 - Wednesday, September 26: Hearing and Vision Screening

Tuesday, September 25 - Thursday, September 27: 8th Grade CogAT

Wednesday, September 26: Builder's Club Meeting 8:15am

Monday, October 1 - Friday, October 5: Iowa Test of Basic Skills

Thursday, October 4: 6th grade dance, 4:30-6:00

Character Word for the Week: Self-Control --The power to direct or regulate your actions and emotions.

Sixth and Seventh Grade Dance Volunteers There will be a brief meeting for all 6th/7th grade dance volunteers this Thursday 9/27 at 9:20 am in the 6th grade commons. If you're interested in helping and can't make the meeting, contact Melinda Chaney at toughmom@hotmail.com or Jodi Matter at matterj@bellsouth.net.

Come support the Dance Team on their 2nd annual community tour! Come support the dance team and watch them perform at these Fall Festivals in our community!

Friday, October 5th - 5:30 pm at the Rocky Mount Fall Festival

Saturday, October 13th -10:00 am at the Shallowford Falls Fall Festival

Saturday, October 20th -11:30 am at the Addison Fall Festival

Calling all Readers from Hilary Williams -- Last year Simpson had a "reading wall" where all the reading that was happening in the building was captured. We were lucky enough to have a generous and wonderful sponsor, Beth Murphy, who donated iPod Shuffles and goody bags for occasional drawings. I, along with several other teachers, was able to monitor this reading wall because we did not have homeroom, but this year we all have one. Unfortunately, the reading wall has not been reconstructed, and it is a loss for Simpson students. I have three volunteers that have offered to help with this effort, but I need at least **seven more people**. If you are willing to donate **one half hour a week** to this effort, please contact me. You will hand out "reading bricks" that will help build the wall. Students will bring their book and their completed reading brick. You will be discussing their book by asking a few questions. Research shows that it's not the reading that matters as much as communicating the ideas generated by what students have read. If you can help with this effort, please contact me at Hilary.Williams@cobbk12.org. Thank you very much.

Students of the Week: Each Week, students from each grade level are honored as the Students of the Week.

Here are recent winners of this honor:

For the week of **September 10th**, the students of the week were:

6th grade: Rus M.

7th grade: Zoey D.

8th grade: B.J. B.

For the week of **September 17th**, the students of the week were:

6th grade: Dillon F.

7th grade: Barbara E.

8th grade: Brooke W.

For the week of **September 24th**, students of the week were:

6th grade: Jenna W.

7th grade: Sydney W.

8th grade: Cora S.

Builders Club News: The kick-off meeting for the Builders Club is **Wednesday, September 26th** at 8:15 in Mrs. Heil's room in the 7B hall. This is a service organization that works on projects for the school and the community. All students are invited to attend the first meeting to learn more about the club. Students will need to go to study hall to get a pass to the meeting. For our first projects, we will be collecting school supplies to be donated to needy students in the community and old eyeglasses for the Lion's Club collection. (See Mrs. Heil or Ms. Pearson-Clarke for more information.)

The 2007-2008 PTA Reflections contest has begun! This year's theme is **"I can make a difference by..."** Entry forms are available in the school foyer. Complete rules can be found on the ECCC PTA website (www.georgiapta.org). You may enter in any of the 6 categories: Visual Arts, Photography, Musical Composition, Literature, Dance Choreography, or Film/Video Production. This year, each individual entry will earn one chance at winning a \$25 Target gift card. Your entry doesn't have to be a school place winner to be eligible for the gift card. **The school deadline for all entries is Thursday, October 11, 2007.** Please place all completed entries in the Reflections plastic tub located in the school's foyer. So let your creativity shine and enter Reflections now!

The Eagle Weekly: The Eagle weekly is sent by email each Tuesday and can also be found on the Simpson website on the Blog page. If you have items for the newsletter send them to Michelle Gottenberg at Gottenberg@bellsouth.net.