



# The **BEST** of NORTHWOOD elementary

November 9, 2007



Please mark your calendars 

CHECK OUT OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE AT [www.northwoodelementary.com](http://www.northwoodelementary.com)

### November 8-16

Scholastic Book Fair

### Monday, November 12

Book Fair Shopping 3:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Family Night Dinner 4:30p.m.-7:00 p.m.

### Thursday, November 15

Media Center Open 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

### Friday, November 16

Signed Papers Go Home

### November 21-23

THANKSGIVING BREAK

SCHOOL CLOSED

### Wednesday, November 28

Early Release Day

Students Dismissed at 11:15 a.m.

## READING TIPS FOR HOME

The National Reading Panel of the U.S. Department of Education says that parents can do a lot to promote reading at home. The Panel recommends that parents can use the following strategies to help their children read. Excerpt from National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, U.S. Department of Education.

### **Reading Strategies For Parents**

**Reread familiar books.** Children need practice reading comfortably and with expression using books they know.

**Build reading accuracy.** As your child is reading aloud, point out words he missed and help him read words correctly. If you stop to focus on a word, have your child reread the whole sentence to be sure he understands the meaning.

**Build reading comprehension.** Talk with your child about what she is reading. Ask about new words. Talk about what happened in a story. Ask about the characters, places, and events that took place. Ask what new information she has learned from the book. Encourage her to read on her own.

### **Make reading a part of every day**

**Share conversations with your child over meal times and other times you are together.** Children learn words more easily when they hear them spoken often. Introduce new and interesting words at every opportunity.

**Read together every day.** Spend time talking about stories, pictures, and words.

**Be your child's best advocate.** Keep informed about your child's progress in reading and ask the teacher about ways you can help.

**Be a reader and a writer.** Children learn habits from the people around them.

**Visit the library often.** Story times, computers, homework help, and other exciting activities await the entire family. Many Public Libraries have book clubs for children in grades 4-5. Your children will enjoy being a part of these book clubs.

**Model good reading habits. Children learn by observing.** Pick up a book, magazine, newspaper or any other reading material while your child is completing their homework or reading for pleasure. Your child will see you reading and they will embrace reading, too.

### Can We Help?

Please call us at 770-552-6390

- Curriculum: Ms. Evangelista, ext 141
- Guidance Counselors  
Ms. Allen, ext 133  
Ms. Roberts, ext 131
- Media Center:  
Ms. Corrigan, ext 149
- IST: Ms. Thompson, ext 132
- Bilingual Parent Liaison  
Ms. Landazabal, ext 130
- Cafeteria: Lisa Sutton,  
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SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR BLIZZARD!

November 8-16



I make a difference at Northwood Elementary



## NORTHWOOD STUDENTS SEND THANKSGIVING LETTERS



We are proud to report that Northwood students sent **776 Thanksgiving Thank You letters** to our military personnel currently on active duty. These heartfelt, handwritten letters were part of “The Big Thank You” sponsored by local Atlanta radio station Q100. The station’s goal was to collect 375,000 letters to send to our soldiers in time for Thanksgiving.

A special thank you to our students for their help toward reaching that goal!

## Good Choices Award



We have many students making good choices at Northwood. Each month, classroom teachers are looking for students who represent their classroom as a model for making good choices. During Explorervision the students are given reminders of the Good Choice of the week. Some examples of good choices for October were to make a good choice when using school material (desks, chairs, books, etc.) and make a good choice when doing your homework (planning, place, completing, quality, turning in on time). These are just a few of the many good choices we have for the year. Classroom teachers select one student each month to represent their class. The Good Choice students are given certificates and a book bag tag. The names of students making good choices are published in the BEST and displayed on the bulletin board in the front office for the month for everyone to see. Please look for the model students in the BEST each month.


## LOST AND FOUND REMINDER

Parents, please encourage your children to check the lost and found for any forgotten items. We will store items for approximately two weeks. After that, all items will be donated to charity.



## WEEKLY MENU



Monday 11/12	Tuesday 11/13	Wednesday 11/14	Thursday 11/15	Friday 11/16
Grits/ScrEgg/Toast Frosted Flakes/Biscuit Orange Juice/Apple Choice of Milk	Chicken Biscuit/TriTater Honey Nut/Bagel Apple Juice/Banana Choice of Milk	EggCheeseBagel/Oatmeal Scooters/Toast Grape Juice/Applesauce Choice of Milk	Hot Pocket Honey Nut/Bagel Apple Juice/Banana Choice of Milk	French Toast/Syrup Tootie Fruite/Toast Orange Juice/Apple Choice of Milk
Ravioli/Roll Chicken Tenders/Roll Broccoli/Garden Salad Peaches/ Orange Chicken Salad Plate Deli Turkey/Cheese Sub PI Choice of Milk	Turkey/Rice/Roll/Gravy Hamburger/Let&Tomato Green Peas/Glazed Carrots Fruit Cocktail/Apple Chicken Tender Salad Plate Yogurt & Cheese Pak Choice of Milk	Meatloaf/Cornbread Hot Dog Green Beans/Coleslaw Spiced Apples/Banana Tuna Salad Plate PB&J Pak Choice of Milk	Thanksgiving Lunch  Choice of Milk	Fish/Roll Cheese Pizza Bkd Beans/Garden Salad Berry Blend/Apple Chef Salad Plate Tur-ham & Chz Wrap Choice of Milk