

Shark Bytes

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No School April 6 - 10: Spring Break

Shark Tales:

Happy Spring Break!

It is so hard to believe April is already here. Wishing all of our Sharks a safe and relaxing Spring Break! Everyone has worked so hard this year. We are so proud! Get lots of rest so we can return and finish strong!



Gladiators Hockey Community Night

A special thank you to everyone that came out last Friday for the Gladiator's game at Gas South Arena to see our amazing chorus perform the National Anthem. They sure did make us all proud!!! This amazing performance would not have been possible without the support of Mrs. Housholder and Mrs. Milovich who organized the event, the PTO for helping us secure our spot, Mr. Urbelis for helping to guide the troops up and down the arena, and to all of the amazing chorus families and Shakerag families that came out to show their support. We had over 217 "fans" there to cheer on our SHARKS and raised \$1085 for our school.

Artist Day

Thank you so much to our wonderful PTO and all of the amazing artists and parent volunteers that made this special Artist Day come to life! The students had a blast. An extra special thank you to Jen She, Myata Harris, Kelly Grant, Shivangi Patel, Lakshmi Doddannara, Phani Kanaganti, Jantel Evans, Sharia Satterfield, and Ms. Weaver for their dedication in organizing this event. We would also like to thank all of our wonderful parent volunteers who performed and led activities for our students. It is a day we know our students will remember forever.

Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast and State of the School Address

If you are one of our many wonderful volunteers, please join us on Thursday, April 16 from 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. in the Media Center for a breakfast in your honor followed by our State of the School address. We can't wait to recognize all of the amazing contributions you make so that our school can be successful.

Shakerag Showcase – Save the Date!

We will be hosting our annual Shakerag Showcase on April 23 from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Please plan to drop by anytime during this hour to explore, museum style, all of the amazing things our students have accomplished this year.

Save the Date! GA Milestones for Grades 3-5

Mark your calendars... This year the GA Milestones assessment window for students in grades 3-5 will be April 29 – May 7. Additional details will be provided following Spring Break.

Spotlight On Special Areas:

What's Happening in Art with Ms. Munson this Month

Please click [here](#) for this month's Art Newsletter.

What's Happening in ASL with Ms. Pennywell this Month

Please click [here](#) for this month's ASL Newsletter.

What's Happening in Music with Ms. Housholder and Mr. Denney this Month

Please click [here](#) for this month's Music Newsletter.

What's Happening in PE with Coach Smith this Month

Please click [here](#) for this month's PE Newsletter.

A Message from the PTO:

Let's celebrate our amazing 5th grade students at Shakerag Elementary School!

Order a special personalized yard sign featuring your student's name and show your pride as they move on to middle school! Please place your order using the information on the flyer (click [here](#)) by April 17. Signs will be delivered to the school and available for pickup in early May.

We're Looking for PTO Co-Chairs!

We are seeking parent volunteers to serve as Co-Chairs for several PTO roles, including Science Fun Labs, Bingo Night, Treats for Teachers, and Room Parents. These positions are a great way to get involved—co-chairs work alongside the current chair this year to learn the role and prepare to lead next year. Interested? Contact us at shakeragpto@gmail.com to learn more!

A Message from the School Governance Council (SGC):

School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting

Our next School Governance Council meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 13 at 8:00 a.m.** To read more about our School Governance Council, we invite you to visit our School Governance Council (SGC) website by clicking [here](#).

A Message from Fulton County:

Fulton Federal Funds Input Request

The Federal Programs Department is requesting **parent, community, and staff** input into how we spend our federal grant funds (Title I, II, III, IV, and IDEA) and our District Parent and Family Engagement Plan. Please view the [PowerPoint](#) for more information complete this [feedback form](#) to give your input.

In The Community:

Here Comes the Bus Application Update- What Parents Need to Know

A New and Improved *Here Comes the Bus* App is Coming! By the end of March 2026, an updated version of the Here Comes the Bus app will be released to all users. The HCTB app is being refreshed with a more modern design and improved functionality to make it easier and more intuitive for parents and caregivers to use. For most users, no action is required beyond updating the app when prompted through Apple App store or Google Play. Parents will then follow the on-screen steps to sign in and continue using HCTB. For more support and information, please click [here](#) for the step-by-step guidance and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs).

Calling all Shakerag Youth Swimmers!!!

Join the Shakerag Sharks Swim Team for the 2026 season! All Shakerag Elementary students are eligible to join the team. Practice begins the week of May 11th with the season wrapping up at the end of June. **While we have a variety of ability levels on the team, each child needs to be able to swim independently before joining the team.** The season consists of 5 meets against other subdivisions within the Johns Creek community and all the team practices are held at the Shakerag HOA Pool. To learn more about how to register for the team, see the meet and practice schedule, and meet this years coaching staff, please visit the official team website at www.shakeragswimteam.com. You can also reach the team via email at shakeragswimteam@gmail.com with any questions regarding the team. Registration is open from March 1-April 15 GO SHARKS!!!

**We hope you all have an amazing Spring Break!
Please stay safe and ENJOY!**

