



# GARDEN HILLS ELEMENTARY FRIDAY FLYER | September 1, 2017

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## CALENDAR

- 9/4: LABOR DAY: NO SCHOOL
- 9/5: Morning Mile begins, 7:30 AM (Help Needed- see below)
- 9/5: Brownies Meeting, 6 PM at GHES
- 9/6: Handbells Practice begins Wednesdays, 2:30-3:30 PM
- 9/7: Family Picnic 5:30-7:30 PM (Details below)
- 9/8: Chorus Practice begins Fridays, 8:10-8:55 AM
- 9/9: Daisies Meeting, 10:00 AM at American Legion Buckhead
- 9/11: Discovery Kids Club begins Mondays, 2:30-3:30 PM
- 9/12: GHES School Tour, 9:30 AM
- 9/12: K-2nd Curriculum Night, 6-7 PM
- 9/13: EIP Parent Meeting, 8:00 AM in the Media Center
- 9/13: Sutton 6th Grade Campus Tour, 9:30 AM

## TEACHER & STAFF BIRTHDAYS

- 8/31: Ms. Lefont
- 9/9: Ms. R. Brown



## ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

# 96.83%↓

PK: 95.45%	2nd: 95.31%	5th: 97.14%
K: 95.35%	3rd: 98.11%☺	
1st: 95.12%	4th: 97.75%	

The state benchmarks daily attendance at 97%. The attendance rate counts towards our College and Career Readiness Performance Indicator (CCRPI) rating. Please make attendance a priority! School starts promptly at 8:00 am.



## GHES Open House: Coming Up September 12th & 14th

Parents please come to our September Open House to learn more about what's happening in your child's classroom. We'll start in the gym with schoolwide announcements. Infinite Campus Logins will be available. Watch for more information.

9/12: K-2nd Grade Open House 6:00-7:30 | 9/14: 3rd-5th Grade Open House 6:00-7:30

**Morning Mile Returns To GHES on Tuesday, September 5th!** Morning Mile is open to students in Grades 1-5, and takes place from 7:30-7:55 AM Tuesdays and Thursdays, weather permitting. Participants will be given a straw for each lap they complete. At the end, straws will be collected and distance calculated. Prizes are given at certain mile levels. We could really use 3-4 parent volunteers to gather straws for the grade levels each week to help expedite getting the kids back into the school at 7:55! To volunteer, go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c49adaa2da1fd0-morning4>. If you are not receiving volunteer invitations from Garden Hills Elementary and would like to do so, send an email to [signupgenius@gardenhillselementary.org](mailto:signupgenius@gardenhillselementary.org) to get on the list! If you have questions about Morning Mile, please contact Michael Moyer at [emailmoyer@gmail.com](mailto:emailmoyer@gmail.com).

**It's not too late to register your girl for Girl Scouts!** The Brownies (2nd & 3rd grade) will be meeting Tuesday, September 5th at Garden Hills Elementary at 6:00 pm. Daisies (K-1st) will be meeting Saturday, September 9th at 10:00 am at the American Legion Buckhead. Please reach out to [debbie.morris@yahoo.com](mailto:debbie.morris@yahoo.com) or [gibsona@att.net](mailto:gibsona@att.net) for more information on Brownies & [kannanewman@gmail.com](mailto:kannanewman@gmail.com) for Daisies.



## Join us for the annual GHES Family Picnic: Thursday, September 7 from 5:30-7:30 pm

Bring a blanket, pack a picnic or purchase dinner from Tex's Tacos Food Truck. Kids (and adults!) can enjoy Kona Ice after dinner or cookies and other treats provided by the PTA. DJ Melvin will "turn" some kid-friendly pop tunes for a rockin' dance party, hula hoop contests, and limbo competitions. You don't want to miss this opportunity to spend time with classmates and meet new friends at GHES! The Picnic will be held on the GHES field.

**Discovery Kids Club starts Monday, September 11th!** DKC will meet on Mondays in the Media Center after school from 2:30-3:30 PM starting September 11th. In DKC, children will discover the truths about living a principled life and learn what it really looks like to care for each other through relationship-building discussions and activities. The children will have a snack, enjoy music, crafts, games, reading, discussions, and have fun! This program is led by GHES parent Mako Williams. Cost: \$25, to cover snack and craft expenses. Checks made payable to Mako Williams. Please return payment to the school office with your completed permission slip which can be found on the table outside the school office in the front hall, or use this link to download a copy: <http://files.constantcontact.com/41a96f40101/5dc55929-cab4-4ce4-afa8-7e30d2520262.pdf> (The deadline has been extended until 9/11-disregard deadline on flyer!) If you have questions, please contact Mako at [atlantarocks@gmail.com](mailto:atlantarocks@gmail.com).

**GHES Bookworms-Start Reading! Reading Bowl Team Practice will start October 18th** The GHES Reading Bowl Team consists of our most avid readers in the 3rd-5th Grades. The team will compete against other APS schools in the Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl on January 27, 2018. The Reading Bowl Book List is comprised of titles selected from the Georgia Book Awards Finalists. Ms. Lefont and Mr. Jolly each have a set of this year's books for the Elementary Level portion of the competition—special thanks to Mali and Zoe's mom Kim Kleiss who donated a set to the school! To see the list, go to <http://www.gardenhillselementary.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/HRRB-17-18.pdf>

## THANK YOU...

- **Race & Reel Party a success!** A group of GHES families had their share of adventure in Atlanta chasing clues for the Race & Reel sign up party hosted by the Woodbury-Travelute and Canavan families. Teams raced through Atlanta snapping selfies while learning about the city's landmarks. Once all the clues were uncovered, the group shared stories over pizza while the children played games and enjoyed a movie. A fun night for these families and also a fantastic fund raiser for GHES giving over \$600.00 to the Acorn to Oaks Foundation. Additional hosted parties are scheduled this school year, stay tuned for opportunities to sign up and participate.
- **Attendance at Spirit Night at Blue Moon Pizza was phenomenal!** We had a BIG turnout—no numbers yet but our proceeds are projected to be big!! A huge **THANKS!!** to all our families that attended, and also to two of our wonderful teachers that joined the fun: Ms. Kami Mueller and Dr. Sarah Erickson.

**You're Invited to the Horizons at AIS Wind Down: September 27th from 5:30-6:30 PM** Horizons at AIS Program Directors Christopher Rhue and Kelsey Stiakakis welcome you to come learn more about the wonderful opportunities offered by partnering with Horizons at AIS. Appetizers will be provided, and your first drink is on us! Please RSVP via Evite-the link will be in the weekend Gab. You can learn more about how the Horizons Summer Program at AIS helps students succeed by visiting: <https://www.aischool.org/page/community/community-programs/horizons-atlanta-at-ais> If you do not receive The Gab, please go to [bit.ly/GardenHillsGab](http://bit.ly/GardenHillsGab).

**Calling Graphic Designers....** We are looking for a member of our GHES community with graphic design skills to help with our spring fundraiser, Evening in the Garden. The project includes designing the event logo and invitation. If you are available and interested, please contact Kerry Dyer at [klkoob@hotmail.com](mailto:klkoob@hotmail.com). Thank you!