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Mission Statement: The Georgia Academy for the Blind provides quality education services to Georgia's students with visual impairments and/or visual impairments in conjunction with other disabilities to prepare them to achieve their highest level of independence in transition to college and career readiness.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS * just added



December 22- January 5: Winter Holiday

January 8: Second semester begins

January 15: Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

*January 25: Art Students exhibit at Goodwill's Artist Show

February 2-3: GaDOE's Family Engagement UnConference, Macon

February 28: Braille Challenge

March 26-30: Spring Break

April 2: Easter Holiday

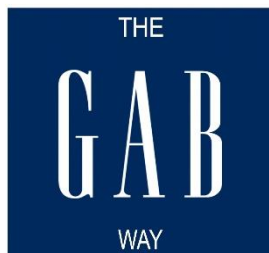
April 5: Prom

April 19-22 SCASB

April 26-29: Senior Trip

May 1: Help a Child Smile Mobile Dental Clinic

May 25: Graduation



Give it your best
Achieve your goals
Be respectful

We wish everyone a happy holiday. We look forward to our first day back to school on January 8!



Remaining December Birthdays:

~16th Adria

~22 Kiauna

~25 Shyann ~26th Dani & Seth

~29th Blake & Jermaine

~31st James & Logan

Beginning of January Birthdays:

~5th Devoneta

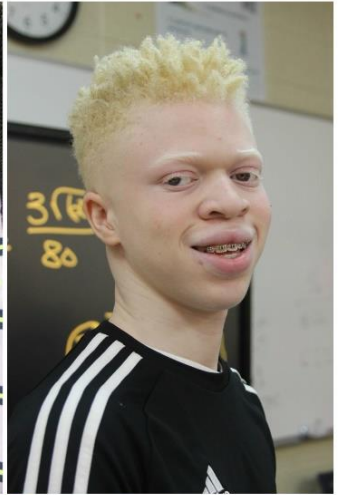
~10th Shakira

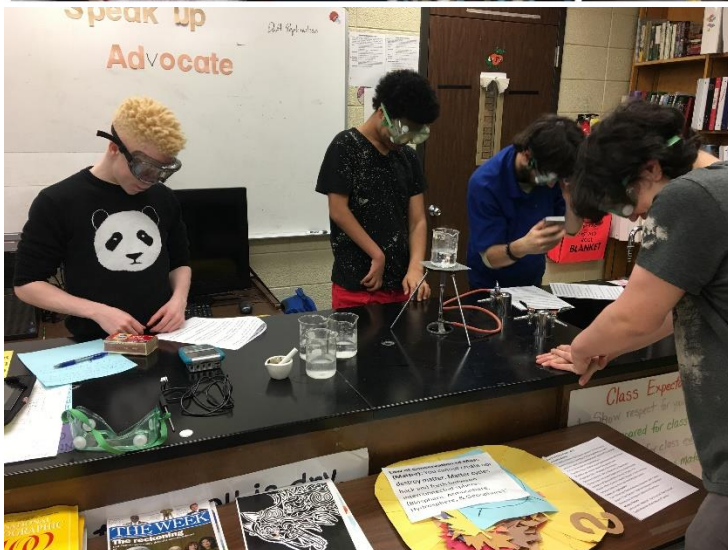
~14th John

~15th Johnny

Give us your feedback! This newsletter is produced by Sonya Milam, Parent Mentor. For comments and suggestions and news items please contact her at 478-262-3303 or smilam@doe.k12.ga.us

More photos from last week's party





Mr. Bennett's students observed how different factors affect the rate of a chemical reaction, such as increasing the temperature of the solution. They dropped all Alka-Seltzer tablets into room temperature water and boiling water. They also crushed a tablet into powder and observed how long it would take to dissolve two tablets at once.

* Ask your child what they enjoyed eating the most at last week's party! Review with them the basic food groups: Protein, Grains, Fruits, Vegetables and Dairy.



* Ask your child what he/she discussed with Santa and Mrs. Claus! Practice shaking hands with each other and saying "hello"

* Enjoy some time outdoors this holiday season! Allow your child to show you the things he/she has been learning in O&M



* Ask your child to help you set the table over the holiday. Ask them what they have been learning in their ECC class about food preparations and have them participate in planning for and cooking a meal over the holiday.

- * Ask your child what they are looking forward to the most during their holiday from school. Encourage them to read. Share with them a book that was your holiday favorite. Consider reading it aloud as a family.



- * Finally, check out these great ideas of fun and educational things to do with your children during the holiday from our friends at Paths to Literacy!

<http://pathstoliteracy.org/newsletter/making-most-holidays-0>

A special than you from out senior class to all who bought and/or sold calendars and lawnmower tickets!

Calling all collectors: At the end of January there will be a special treat for the person who brings in the most Box Tops. Our goal for the end of May is 1,000 Box Tops. We now have 665, I know it is possible to get the rest over the holidays. Let's pull together and EXCEED this goal. Thanks in advance If you have any questions contact Sylvia Layson at slayson@doe.k12.ga.us or call after 3:00 P.M. 478-751-6083 ext 1200. Thanks for all your help!

