

## GCA Announcements for Week #28

Monday, March 9th 2009

WEEK #10 OF 12 of the Third Quarter

WEEK #28 of the School Year

1. Attendance
2. Pledge to the Flag
3. Moment of Silent Prayer and/or Reflection
4. Planner Check

### **LUNCH ORDER**

#### **REMINDER**

Please order your lunch or verify your order.

LINK: <http://gcalunch.ctsfla.com/lunch/>.

### **PROGRESS REPORTS**

Progress report 4 of 5 will be printed and distributed THIS Thursday, Mar 12. The last progress report for the quarter will follow one week later on Mar 19. The Third Quarter will end on March 26th.

### **FAP ACTIVITIES**

Please visit Mr. Kaufmann's THINK.COM page for a list of activities for the week.

### **GROOVY RETRO DANCE PARTY**

Next Friday, March 20, 2009 get ready to jump back in time for the annual GCA Retro Dance Party! Picture yourself hopping around on a pogo stick, playing a game of giant Twister, racing slot cars, and playing the video games your parents cut their teeth on (like Pong, Asteroids, PacMan and Tetris). In addition you can sing vintage songs in our Karaoke room, and dance to modern remixes of the "oldies" thanks to DJ Skippy. Can you say Y-M-C-A and Love Potion Number Nine? Make your own Tie-Dye shirt or spin art painting in the retro-crafts room. Later in the dance, we'll jump start the computer lab back to 2009 and play some interactive games of Halo. Typical costumes include peace signs, groovy hair, tie-dye, 'fros, and outlandish polyester shirts that are difficult to look at (just look in your parent's closet). Have fun and don't hold back—after all, it's the '70's right? Permission forms will be distributed later in the week. Guests are welcome. Registration ends next Thursday @ 5:00pm.

### **JR. SOLAR SPRINT**

JSS Teams are as follows, please start thinking of your official team name. Remember, your first meeting day THIS Wednesday, March 11, 2009 plan on staying until 5:00pm. We are pleased to welcome last year's 7th grade winners to the competition.

**Solar Team#1** Tabitha F, Mariah A

**Solar Team#3** Jonathon L, Steven W, Steven C

**Solar Team#5** Arjun M, Jacob L, Andrew E

**Solar Team#7** R. Tyler M, Eric C, Jason J



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(Above) Swing batta batta batta, it wouldn't be Spring without a game of Softball! The pitcher and Zack S. aren't going to make this easy for batter Eric D.



(Above) Takin' her turn at bat! Alivia Duncan strides to her place with "Casey's" confidence. Can you say "home run"?

**Solar Team#2** Dakota H, Noah P, Elijah M

**Solar Team#4** Sabrina U, Jessica P

**Solar Team#6** Bharat M, Jonathan D, Gordon A

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## SPECIAL GRADE LEVEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **7th Graders:**

\*REMINDER—

THIS Friday, March 13th is Astronomy Night for both seventh grade teams hosted at GCA and the Chinsegut Nature Center from 2pm to 9:30pm. This is a mandatory graded event! Please come to the office if you have any problems with this date.

### **\*Is your rocket ready to launch?**

- Engine Mount Properly Installed
- Extra Glue on Fins so they don't cause trouble on Launch Day
- Shock Cord is properly anchored inside of the body tube so the rocket's nose cone stays attached when the parachute is deployed?
- Proper paint job?
- Launch Lug properly installed?

Launch Days are as follows:

Tuesday, March 17th (PI)

Wednesday, March 18th (TS)

### **CLASSIC COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER:**

Welcome to Kelvin Moses our Classic Cookie Dough "fundraiser guy." You only have this week and next week to gather up your orders. Encourage your friends and family to stock up on cookie dough for the spring! Top sellers will receive a cash prize, and everybody that participates gets something nice. Catalogs will be sent home on Monday.

### **ART CLUB**

Oil Painting Finale' — this is the third and last week for the Art Club's canvas painting lessons. After the paintings have been completed, the artists will begin to make Groovy flowers for the upcoming Groovy Retro Dance Party.

### **DESTINATION EARTH SUMMER CAMP**

We've been receiving lots of inquiries about our Destination Earth Summer Camp. This camp has a nice variety of cool trips including snorkeling, caving, climbing, swimming, sunning, kayaking, summer movie, one overnight camping trip with contests and games and a special surprise activity. Permission forms will be available later in the week. An affordable payment plan is available. Don't start your summer with nothing to do! The dates of the camp are as follows: June 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 (Monday—Friday)

### **CALENDAR REMINDERS:**

Monday, March 9, 2009—NCTHS Guidance Meeting (8th Grade)

Monday, March 9, 2009—Cookie Fundraiser Kickoff

Tuesday, March 10, 2009—FCAT Reading

Wednesday, March 10, 2009—FCAT Math

Thursday, March 12, 2009—Progress Report #4 of 5

Friday, March 13, 2009—Astronomy Night

Friday, March 20, 2009—Groovy Retro Dance Party



(ABOVE) Catcher is probably the most demanding position on the Softball field; but Tiffany M. is up for the challenge!



(ABOVE) Cassidy F. prepares to take her turn as the team's catcher, batters beware—not much gets by Cassidy!

