

The Comet Connection

A newsletter for the families of W. C. Britt

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Principal's Corner

April 1, 2010

Greetings to the W. C. Britt Elementary School Community!

Britt Elementary students and teachers are reviewing AKS and test taking skills in preparation for the upcoming CRCT. I am greatly impressed with the engaging instruction delivered by our teachers and by the accomplishments of our students. Britt Comets can take the CRCT with confidence knowing they have been taught well the information and the test taking skills needed to help them achieve success.

Parents, we need your help. Please make sure your child is at school on time every day he or she is healthy enough to attend. Make sure your child has sufficient sleep and eats a good breakfast, especially on days of testing. Encourage your child to do their best during this opportunity they have to show how much they have learned. As always, I ask that you continue to help strengthen your child's literacy skills by spending some time each day reading with your child.

The Britt Elementary School PTA is making plans for the 2010-2011 school year. I am excited to hear their plans to reach out to each family at Britt Elementary and to welcome the involvement of every member of the Britt Elementary Community. Their first order of business is to elect PTA officers for 2010-2011. The slate of officers running for office will be posted in the Britt PTA lobby on April 16 by the Britt PTA Nominating Committee. Please mark your calendar now to attend a PTA meeting at 7:30 AM on Tuesday, April 27, to elect the PTA officers. (All PTA members may vote.) I hope that you will take this opportunity to support our PTA and to commit your support for the Britt PTA. The Britt PTA has supported our students in many ways this school year. The engaging technology program called Brain Pop, art work to make our hallways more inviting to students, student agendas to encourage students in grades two through five to organize their work, and the outdoor classroom where students can learn in a beautiful nature setting are only a few of the projects supported by this year's PTA. I hope you will partner with PTA to support Britt Elementary in 2010-2011.

This is a marvelous year of teaching and learning at Britt Elementary. Faculty and staff members are committed to make the most of every minute of this last quarter of the school year. We are also busy planning another successful school year for 2010-2011. I want to personally thank you for your continued support. We love helping students learn, and we genuinely love children. Join us in making the final weeks of school the best yet.

With warmest regards,

Doris Jones

Looking Ahead in April:

- April 1 Pizza Hut Night
- April 1 Witzzle Pro-Tournament 6-7:30 pm
Cafeteria
- April 2 Student & Teacher Holiday
- April 5-9 Spring Break
- April 9 Last Day for PTA Officer Nominations
- April 13 Zaxby's Snellville Family Night 5-8 pm
- April 14-16 CRCT for Grades 1 & 2
- April 16 Candidate's Names Running for PTA
Office to be Posted in the School Lobby
- April 19-23 CRCT for Grades 3-5
- April 24 PTA Spring Carnival 2-6 pm
- April 27 Field Day: (Gr. K & 1) 9 am - 11 am
(Gr. 2 & 3) 1pm - 3 pm
- April 27 PTA Officer Elections 7:30 AM
- April 28 Field Day (Gr. 5) 9 am-11 am
(Gr. 4) 1 pm - 3pm
- April 29 Area IV Board Mtg. @ Shiloh HS 7 pm
- April 30 Slipper Day *Relay for Life* \$1.00 donation

Looking Ahead in May:

- May 6 Kindergarten Registration 9 am - 5pm
- May 6 Pizza Hut Night
- May 7 PTA Teacher Luncheon
- May 11 Dr. Phillips to Address Britt Families
Transitioning to Norton 7 pm (at Britt)
- May 11 Zaxby's Snellville Night 5 pm - 8pm
- May 13 PTA/Chorus Performance 7 pm
- May 20 Steak 'N Shake Night
- May 21 Volunteer Tea 9:30-11 am
- May 26 School Picnic/Last Day of School

MARCH AWARDS Congratulations!



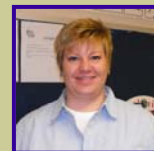
MARIA DYSART,
Shining Comet
*Caring
*Patient
*Friendly
*Understanding

Maria is always kind and friendly to parents, teachers, and students. Every time you pass by her in the hall, she has a smile on her face and is willing to help in any way she can. She does her best by translating notes and letters, making phone calls, and assisting with conferences.



AMELIA DAVIS,
Technology Teacher
of the Month

Ms. Davis is usually one of the first to start using a new tech tool, website, or interactive activity with her students. She can often be seen using the Mimio Bar for whole group activities and says that she can't teach without it now! When BrainPOP and Education City were getting a bit tiresome for her students, she was quick to ask for suggestions on other interactive websites she could use to integrate the AKS. Recently, she did a terrific whole group lesson on Martin Luther King, Jr. using the Mimio Bar and Kidspiration. Once they were finished creating the web and added information as a class, she printed the activity for students to use as a study guide.



ALAINA MOORE,
Instructor of
the Month

Ms. Moore is a role model of professionalism. At any time, she is able to share with parents the individual student's strengths and weaknesses. She motivates all her students to achieve at high levels. In Ms. Moore's classroom, you will find all her students fully engaged in hands-on lessons and centers.

Kindergarten AKS

LA-Apply phonics to read words & sentences; read 50 high frequency words, colors, & number words; use expression while reading at a rate of 30 words per minute.

Writing-While writing persuasive papers, state opinions & support these opinions; explore prewriting, drafting, revising, editing, & publishing.

MATH-Compare & order objects according to their weight/capacity; create, solve, & explain story problems.

SCIENCE-Compare plants & animals; distinguish living things from non-living things; explain characteristics of living things; group animals & plants according to their observable features.

SOCIAL STUDIES-Describe American culture by explaining diverse community & family celebrations & customs related to Flag Day & Independence Day; retell stories about Betsy Ross & Thomas Jefferson.

First Grade AKS

LA-Recognize & compare plot, setting, & characters; spell correctly; identify the comma & quotation marks; read grade level text with accuracy, speed, & expression; identify 200 common sight words.

Writing-Spell 100 high frequency words; apply learned phonics skills; write in a variety of genres: narrative, persuasive, & response to literature; write appropriate length text.

MATH-Measurement; place value; rounding; adding & subtracting two digit numbers.

SCIENCE-Magnetism and recycling.

SOCIAL STUDIES-Benjamin Franklin and personal finance.

Second Grade AKS

LA: Reading-Recognize the basic elements of fables & folk tales; identify & comprehend a variety of texts including fables & folk tales. Read grade-level text at a rate of 90 words per minute with appropriate accuracy, speed, & expression; spell 200 high frequency words correctly.

Writing-Using complex sentence patterns; state a clear position or opinion when writing a persuasive paper; include supportive details & appropriate formats: letter, pros & cons.

MATH-Money; 2D & 3D shapes; model multiplication using one digit numbers; use an (X) grid to determine the product.

SOCIAL STUDIES-Jimmy Carter; demonstrate knowledge of state & national capitol buildings & locate on map; model flag etiquette, explain the significance of the stars, stripes, and colors of the American flag.

Third Grade AKS

LA: Reading-Review AKS for the CRCT.

Writing-Review AKS for the CRCT.

MATH-Determine area; explain & apply formulas for perimeter & area; use mental math & estimation to add, subtract, multiply, & divide; apply the distributive property; explain the effect on a given number or product when multiplied by ten; divide 2- & 3-digit numbers by 1-digit divisor.

SCIENCE-Investigate magnets & their effect on common objects & other magnets; find common objects that are attracted to magnets; demonstrate that size & shape of a magnet do not determine strength; investigate how magnets attract & repel each other; distinguish between magnetic & nonmagnetic metals; construct a temporary magnet & describe the process.

Fourth Grade AKS

LA: Reading & Writing-Identify puns, jokes, & palindromes. Review AKS for the CRCT.

MATH-Compare cube & rectangular prisms; identify parallel & perpendicular lines in rectangular prisms; construct models for cubes, prisms, & cylinders; identify patterns, functions, variables, & unknowns; interpret & evaluate expressions.

SCIENCE-Adaptation, survival, & extinction; explain & identify affective factors & external features (camouflage, hibernation).

SOCIAL STUDIES-Examine ideas of abolitionist & suffrage movements; name positive character traits of historic figures in reform movements; use basic economic concepts of trade impacting reform movements.

Fifth Grade AKS

LA: Reading-Advance a judgment that is interpretive, evaluative, or reflective; support judgments through references to the text, other works, authors, non-print media, or references to personal knowledge; use the organizational features of a text such as table of contents and bibliography.

MATH-Represent math relationships in formulas & equations; use variables for unknown quantities; investigate algebraic expressions & determine if a formula is reliable.

SCIENCE-Continue the study of magnetism & electricity through lab activities & computer simulations.

SOCIAL STUDIES-Describe the importance of key people, events, & developments between 1950 & 1975; analyze the basic economic concepts of trade, opportunity cost, specialization, productivity, & price incentives; describe how consumers & businesses interact in the United States across time.

Brenda Straus, Counselor**What Parents Can Do To Help Their Kids Be Ready For The “Show us What You Know Test” also known as the CRCT****Test Dates for the CRCT**

Grades 1st and 2nd will be on Wednesday, April 14th – Friday, April 16th

Grades 3rd, 4th, and 5th will be on Monday, April 19th – Friday, April 23rd

Being successful on the CRCT involves some easy things that parents can help their student with at home.

- Help your child get to school every day on time. **The tests start every morning, for the dates above, at 9:00AM.** A child who is late will remain in the office until the class has completed a section.
- Help your child remember to bring their books and class notes home every night to review the subject they will be tested on the next day.
- Remind them to use their listening ears and carefully listen to their teacher’s directions during the test.
- Stress to them to read directions and questions carefully and to reread them if confused.
- Tell them to predict what the answer to a question could be before they read the choices. This will help them eliminate any choices that they know are wrong.
- Remind them to underline or circle the details in the questions if they are in third, fourth or fifth grade. This will help them focus on exactly what the question is.
- Point out to them that they should go back and read to find the answer, especially the reading passages in the Reading, Language Arts and Social Studies tests.
- Help them to see the importance of taking their time.
- Your child should have time to go back over and reread their questions and answers. Encourage them to do so!!!!
- Emphasize the importance of a good night’s sleep.
- Help them get a good breakfast. Here is a list of some “Brain Foods”: bananas, almonds, peanut butter, and other nuts and seeds, oatmeal, whole grains, dairy products, eggs, brown rice, fruits, vegetables, beans, sweet potatoes, tuna, chicken, and turkey.
- Remind them to take a deep breath and try their very best. Feeling a lot of stress is not helpful.
- Encourage them every morning to do their very best. Every day is a new day! Tell them to try their very hardest each day!
- The school has purchased # 2 pencils for each and every child to use during testing. There is no need to purchase pencils.
- Lastly, your child would love, love, love a special little note of encouragement from you! Written words are very powerful. If you could slip it to them the mornings of their tests on their way out the door it will put a smile on their face for the rest of the day. What a great way to surprise your child and cheer them on!

PTA News: Voting for 2010-2011 PTA Officers - April 27th at 7:30 AM

What is PTA? National PTA is the largest and oldest volunteer child advocacy organization in the United States. A not-for-profit association of parents, educators, students, and other citizens active in their schools and communities, PTA is a leader in parent involvement and in reminding our nation of its obligations to children. All officers and board members, whether national, state or local unit, are unpaid volunteers. All members speak with a unified voice on behalf of all children, as highlighted by the PTA tagline: every **child. one voice.**

April 27 at 7:30 AM in Britt's cafeteria, PTA members will meet to elect officers for the 2010-2011 school year. Per Britt PTA Bylaws, the election of officers must take place in April with a quorum of at least 50 PTA members at a PTA meeting. Please join us.

Suggested Qualifications for all Officers:

Knowledgeable about and adheres to the Purposes and basic policies of PTA. Knows parliamentary procedure. Experienced in PTA or other organizational work. Has a sense of justice and fairness. Exhibits enthusiasm for PTA. **Demonstrates a willingness to make PTA a high priority for his/her schedule relative to the responsibilities and duties of the position.**

It is the duty of the Nominating Committee to select the best-qualified candidate(s) possible for each office to be filled, identify characteristics and skill sets needed in the leadership of our PTA to accomplish the strategic plan, and to interview, evaluate, and nominate candidates for officers. Britt's PTA Bylaws indicate that we may have one President or two Co-Presidents, one Vice-President or two Co-Vice-Presidents, one Secretary, and one Treasurer. The Nominating Committee will set three dates to conduct this interviewing process. **If you are interested in being nominated for an officer position, please contact the school for a nomination form and submit this form on or before Friday, April 9th.** The Nominating Committee will post the proposed slate of officers in the school on Friday, April 16th, ten (10) days prior to the election date. **Voting for the 2010-2011 PTA Officers will take place on Tuesday, April 27th at 7:30 a.m.**

The President duties include: Preside at all meetings of this local PTA/PTSA; Serve as an ex officio member of all committees except the nominating committee; Coordinate the work of the officers and committees of this local PTA/PTSA in order that the purposes may be promoted; Appoint special committees, except the nominating committee; Have representatives at council, district and state functions; Pass on to the membership at each meeting news and information from state and national bulletins; Appoint a parliamentarian who shall serve at all Executive Committee, Board of Directors, and general membership meetings. The parliamentarian shall not vote on any question except in case of a ballot vote; Be a signatory on all financial accounts of this PTA; Sign and execute all contracts, agreements or other obligations in the name of this PTA/PTSA as authorized by the Board of Directors; and Perform such other duties as may be provided for by these bylaws, prescribed by the parliamentary authority, or directed by the Board of Directors or Executive Committee.

The Vice-President duties include: Act as aide(s) to the president; In their designated order perform the duties of the president in the president's absence or inability to serve; and Perform such other duties as may be provided for by these bylaws, prescribed by the parliamentary authority, or directed by the president, the Board of Directors, or the Executive Committee.

The Secretary duties include: Record the minutes of each general, Executive Committee and board meeting of this PTA/PTSA; Read or distribute printed copies of the minutes of the previous meeting for approval; Maintain an accurate membership list as provided by the membership chair or committee; Have a current copy of the bylaws; Have minutes from previous meetings for reference at each meeting; Determine the presence of a quorum prior to any business being conducted; Call the meeting to order in the absence of the president and vice-president(s), unless the bylaws specify otherwise, and preside until a temporary chair is elected; Immediately upon the election of new officers, send a list of their names, addresses and phone numbers to the state PTA office, district director and council president (if applicable); Register their signature at the bank as an emergency signatory; Submit the names of the voting delegates and their alternates to the council PTA prior to the first council meeting, if local PTA/PTSA is a member of a council PTA; and Perform such other duties as may be provided for by these bylaws, prescribed by the parliamentary authority, or directed by the president, the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee.

The Treasurer duties include: Have custody of the funds of this local PTA/PTSA; Maintain a full account of the funds of this local PTA/PTSA; Make disbursements as authorized by the president, or Board of Directors of this local PTA/PTSA in accordance with the budget adopted by this local PTA/PTSA; Have checks or vouchers signed by two people: the treasurer and one other person. Individuals authorized to sign checks shall not be related to each other by marriage or any other relationship; Never sign a blank check; Pay all bills by check – never by cash; Never deposit funds of this PTA in a personal account or a school account; Always issue a receipt for cash received; Maintain a full and accurate account of the receipts and disbursements in the books belonging to this PTA/PTSA; Be prepared to answer all questions promptly and to have records available at all meetings; Provide a written financial statement at each meeting of the general membership, Board of Directors and Executive Committee; Present an annual report of the financial condition of the organization; Have the accounts examined annually at the end of the school year or upon the change of treasurer by an auditor or auditing committee of not fewer than three members; Not sign checks for this PTA after the books are closed for audit; Report the findings of the annual audit to this PTA/PTSA no later than the first general meeting of the new school year; Determine the gross receipts for the previous fiscal year and file the appropriate federal tax form(s) with the IRS; Reconcile the bank statements monthly and have the statements reviewed, signed and dated by a PTA member. This PTA member shall not be related to the treasurer by marriage or any other relationship; and Perform such other duties as may be provided for by these bylaws, prescribed by the parliamentary authority, or prescribed by the parliamentary authority, or directed by the president, the Board of Directors, or the Executive Committee. directed by the president, the Board of Directors, or the Executive Committee.

Coaches' Corner: Lisa Brown, Math Coach

Math and Sports

April is Math Awareness Month with the theme of "Math and Sports". When watching sports with your children or playing sports with your children, try to get them to become aware of what an important role math plays in sports. If you are like my family, spring is the time the kids start playing sports again, whether it is tee-ball, baseball or soccer. Sports can provide you with a great opportunity to show your child how vital math is to the game that he or she is playing. It can be as simple as calculating how long they will play the game, by adding the time of each quarter, or how math is used to keep score. It can also be more involved like helping your child figure out their batting average in baseball, or how many strikes they need to beat their opponent in bowling.

By associating math and sports, you can help foster a more positive attitude towards math and give math a "real world" application, which is sometimes not realized by students. Associating math and sports provides a wonderful opportunity for you to create an environment that makes math exciting and purposeful.

Below I am listing a few examples of how math is used in some common sports:

Baseball: A player's batting average (B) gives the percentage of hits the player makes when he is at bat. It is found by dividing the total number of hits made (H) by the total times at bat (A), or $B=H/A$. So if Jose has hit 120 hits in the 300 times he is at bat, his batting average is $120/300$ or .400.

Basketball: To compare a player's performance from game to game, you can calculate free throw/field goal percents (P) by dividing the number of shots made (M) by the number of attempted shots (A), or $P=M/A$. If Jaden makes 9 out of 16 field goal attempts, his percentage is 9 divided by 16 or .5625 or 56%.

Football: This game is great to use to talk about measurement. A football field is 100 yards long with the 50 yard line being in the center. A team has to move the ball 10 yards to make a first down. You can calculate how long a field goal attempt is by doing a calculation of adding up the yard line the team is on + 10 yards for the end zone + 7 yards for snap and kick placement. For example, if a team is on the 23 yard line when they attempt a field goal, the field goal attempt would be 23 yards+ 10 yards+ 7 yards for a total of 40 yards.

It is very important as a parent to create a positive environment surrounding all academics, including mathematics. Mathematics is more than just arithmetic; it is fascinating and meant to be enjoyed. Any time you can help your child enjoy mathematics, you can help to create a lifelong joy and appreciation for mathematics. Associating math and sports is one opportunity you have to make math exciting and purposeful.

Box Top News!

KEEP CLIPPING! \$800.00 To Go!

With over 900 students at Britt, we can reach our goal if every student fills in just one 10-count collection sheet. Download your collection sheet from the school website today. **Collections for this contest end Friday, April 16th! We don't throw pies, if we don't reach our goal!**



Time to Clean Up Our Nature Trail!

It's that time of year again!! We need your assistance in clearing the nature trail at Britt Elementary in order to allow the students to have outdoor classes this spring. As always, we also will need garbage bags, weed eaters, blowers, trimmers, and rakes. A wheelbarrow would be useful too! Please join us on **Saturday, April 10th from 8:00am – 12:00p.m.**



Wholly delicious!

Get your children used to eating whole grains while they are young, and you will help them build a healthy habit for a lifetime. Whole grains will make them feel fuller so they don't eat too much, and whole grains also decrease the risk of diabetes and other diseases.

Try these suggestions:

- Begin by explaining why whole grains are healthy. You can say that they're still "wearing their coats"- whole grains contain the entire grain kernel with all its fiber, vitamins, and minerals. Processed grains like white bread have the outer layer removed so they've lost important nutrients.
- On your next food shopping trip, put your youngsters in charge of finding whole-grain versions of family favorites. Let them know they'll need to find the words "whole grain" or "whole wheat" on the front of a package or at the top of the ingredient list. See if they can locate whole-grain bread, pasta, rice, cereal, and pancake mixes.
- Have your children look in the grocery store or through your pantry for whole grains. Then, play a rapid-fire game of "Name the Grain." Take turns saying a whole grain or a type of food that can be made from whole grains. Examples: oatmeal, spaghetti, rye bread, couscous, pretzels, tortillas, cornmeal, and barley.

There are many easy ways to add whole grains to your youngster's diet. Here are three:

- Crumble up whole-wheat bread (by hand or in a food processor), and add to ground beef or turkey when making meatloaf or burgers.
- Make healthy popcorn. Put $\frac{1}{3}$ cup popcorn kernels in a paper bag, turn the bag down to close it, and microwave as you would microwave popcorn (but without added fat or chemicals). Season with Parmesan cheese or cinnamon.
- Buy whole-grain bread, rolls, and crackers, and use them for sandwiches and snacks. Tip: While making the switch, prepare sandwiches with one slice of whole-wheat bread and one slice of white bread.

Note: Aim for 5–7 ounces of grains a day, with at least half of that in whole grains. One ounce = 1 slice of bread; 1 cup dry cereal; $\frac{1}{2}$ cup rice or pasta. See www.wholegrainscouncil.org for more ideas.

****Starting Monday, May 3rd, students will not be allowed to charge breakfast or lunch if that creates a negative balance on their lunch account.** If your child currently has a negative balance, please send additional money on/before May 3rd to pay for all charges & to purchases of breakfast or lunch.

Just for Fun

Question: What has no beginning, no middle, and no end? Answer: A bagel.

2010 Area Board Meeting

An opportunity for citizens to talk with the Gwinnett County Board of Education and the CEO/Superintendent

In April 2010, the Gwinnett County Board of Education will go on the road, as it does each year, meeting once in each Board member's district. The meetings are a time for the School Board to share information with the public and for citizens to discuss education topics with their elected officials. They also are an opportunity to hear CEO/Superintendent J. Alvin Wilbanks' 2010 address on the state of the school district, focusing on the development of the district's strategic priorities and current budget challenges. The meetings are organized by school clusters, but citizens may attend whichever meeting they prefer. Please plan to attend an Area Board Meeting. The Board and Superintendent look forward to your participation!

*All meetings begin at 7 p.m. in the host school's theater,
with refreshments served at 6:30 p.m.*

****District IV – Dr. Robert McClure****

April 29 at Shiloh High School

Clusters: Brookwood, Shiloh, South Gwinnett

Interpretation available in Spanish.

Se ofrecerán servicios de intérpretes para personas que hablen español.

PTA News

Dear PTA Members,

It's time to elect 2010-2011 PTA officers. The nominating committee is responsible for selecting and presenting the slate of officers at the election meeting. **The deadline for submitting a nomination form for an officer position is April 9th.** We are also accepting nominees for the following appointed positions of Parliamentarian, committee chairs, and committee members. The Nominating Committee is not responsible for selecting the Parliamentarian, committee chair, and committee members; however, they will forward all names to the elected Executive Committee for their consideration.

Dates to remember:

April 9th - Deadline to submit a nomination form for a PTA officer position

April 10th – Dad's club will be out at Britt clearing out Nature Trail

April 16th – Nominated officer positions will be posted in Britt's lobby

April 24th – Spring Carnival (2pm – 6pm) Parent volunteers are needed.

April 27th – Election of PTA officers (General PTA meeting at 7:30 AM in the school cafeteria)

If you have further questions, please call the school at 770-972-4500 or Alicia Carey at 678-362-3070.

Sincerely,

Alicia Carey

PTA Co-President

PTA Co-President

PTA Spring Carnival

W.C. Britt Elementary Spring Carnival!!!

April 24, 2010

2pm - 6pm



Come to Britt's Spring Carnival. The whole family is welcome for a day of fun and excitement. Enjoy yourself with bouncy moonwalks and buttery popcorn. Here your kids will be able to let their inner-self come alive.

More Info To Come!!

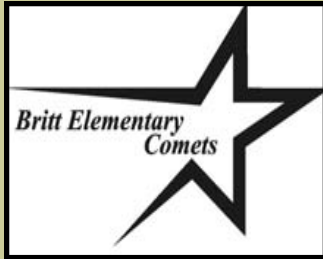
We need VOLUNTEERS to help make this a successful carnival. We need help with concessions and carnival games. Please contact Alicia Carey at careyalicia23@yahoo.com or fill out the form below and return to your student's teacher.

NAME: _____

Teacher's name: _____ Telephone #: _____

Email address: _____





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2010 Young Georgia Author's Award

Britt Elementary first grade student in Mrs. Ward's classroom, **Jose Delgado**, has been awarded the 2010 Young Georgia Author's Award for First Grade from Gwinnett County Public Schools. His writing will now go to the state competition. Winners at the state level will be announced in October. Congratulations Jose!

Student Literacy Institute

Calling All Writers! Calling All Readers!



South Gwinnett and Shiloh Clusters Student Literacy Institute* July 19-22 1:00-3:30 p.m.



The student Literacy Institute is looking for readers and writers!

Do you love to write? Do you love to read?

Do something different this summer! Publish a book!

You don't want to miss this opportunity to
become a published author!

Space is limited!

For more information about this program and a registration form

Contact Betsy Gresh, Literacy Coordinator

betsy_gresh@gwinnett.k12.ga.us

*There is a \$50.00 tuition fee, and parents provide transportation.

Kindergarten Registration-May 6th

Do you have a child who will turn five years old on or before September 1, 2010? If so, mark **Thursday, May 6th** from **9 am to 5 pm** as Kindergarten Registration Day on your calendar! You will need to bring the following to register your child:

- Your Child & Photo ID of Person Enrolling Child
- Original Birth Certificate
- Proof of Residency
- GA Certificate of Immunization Form # 3231
- Hearing/Vision/Dental Form # 3300
- Proof of Custody/Guardianship (if not the birth parent)
- Child's Social Security Number (waiver available)
- Copy of Pre-K Progress Report



W.C. Britt Elementary Spring Carnival!!!



April 24, 2010

2pm - 6pm



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Preorder Tickets Ahead of Time

\$3 per child (preorder)

\$5 day of event

\$9 family with 4 kids (preorder)

\$11 day of event

Adults and kids under 2 – Free

Preorder Form

Name: _____

Child's Name: _____ **Teacher's Name:** _____

Amount of Tickets: _____ **Total \$ Amount:** _____

Dollar amount sent in: _____

We do accept checks. Please make checks payable to **Britt Elementary PTA**. If you have questions, please call Alicia Carey 678-362-3070 or email careyalicia23@yahoo.com.