



GEORGE HALL NEWSLETTER

****October 4, 2021**Mrs. Chennault, Principal**A Kind & Inclusive School Community****



Thank you PTA! Our 2021 Walk-A-Thon was a huge success. The inclusive theme of “TOGETHER WE WALK” was embraced by all the classes. This was a wonderful event that was fun, promoted community, and raised funds for George Hall to increase the supply of equipment used at recess and in Physical Education - balls, jump ropes, hula hoops and other materials.

New Health Order The Public Health Officer issued a new Health Order effective starting October 15. All volunteers must show 1. proof of vaccination or 2. proof of a negative test result with-in 48 hours before being on campus. For our school families, we are not collecting documentation of the proof, but asking that volunteers show proof of vaccination or a negative test result (either on a phone or a paper copy) to the front office every time they come on campus. Parents may come onto campus for events that are non-volunteer, as long as they are held outdoors, people stay within their family group and respect social distances, and everyone is masked. For example, beautification day, math night, book fair, Halloween parade, ect.

Conference Week This week is all minimum days (12:47 release) for grades 1-5 due to parent conferences. Please reach out to your child's teacher if you have not received a meeting link invite. We look forward to partnering with you!

Spirit Week is this week! Students are invited to participate in themed dress up days:



- Monday - Read Your Shirt Day (Wear something with words and/or numbers for others to read)
- Tuesday - Mismatched or Silly Socks Day
- Wednesday - Hats day (Wear any type of hat)
- Thursday - Sports day (Wear something to represent your favorite sport or sports team)
- Friday - Pajamas or Jagwear Day

The Fall Book Fair starts today in the Oasis Courtyard. Our school librarian, Cat Bocchino, can't wait to connect with you at our outdoor book fair! Stories have a way of creating connections and bringing us together wherever we are. Scholastic Book Fairs empowers kids to find the stories that speak to them. The fall book fair brings our community together as we safely join each other in a shared love of reading and help provide support for our school library. Students will have the opportunity to visit during their library time. Families may visit the book fair through the Annex Gate. After school hours are 1-3pm Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday and 5-7pm on Thursday and Friday.

Anti Bullying Campaign October is National Bullying Prevention Month. Bullying is recognized and defined by three primary characteristics. It is aggressive behavior that: 1. is usually repeated over time, 2. occurs in a relationship where there is a power imbalance, 3. intends to cause harm or distress and/or has a serious harmful or distressing effect on the target. It's never too early to provide students and staff with tools to prevent bullying, both in our school and in the community. The Second Step Bullying Prevention Unit teaches Kindergarten–Grade 5 students how to recognize, report, and refuse bullying. At George Hall we use our Morning Meetings as a key strategy in our anti-bullying campaign. We teach that we can all prevent bullying by encouraging kindness, acceptance and inclusion. Together we can create a school community that is kinder, more inclusive and accepting for all students.