



Tutt Middle School

October 14, 2015

3-D DRAGONS



Dear Parents,

It is difficult to believe we have already arrived at the end of the first quarter of the 2015-2016 school year. As the faculty and staff consider our next steps in preparing your children for the Georgia Milestones, their educational futures, and their roles as participants in our community, we would like to invite parents to reflect on the importance of their roles in their children's education.

Following are suggestions of ways parents can support their children's education. The suggestions come from the website <http://www.pbs.org/parents/education/going-to-school/supporting-your-learner/role-of-parents/> :

- Be a role model for learning.
- Pay attention to what your child loves.
- Tune into how your child learns.
- Practice what your child learns at school.
- Set aside time to read together.
- Connect what your child learns to everyday life.
- Connect what your child learns to the world.
- Learn something new yourself.
- Keep TV to a minimum.
- Don't over-schedule your child.
- Help your child take charge of his learning.

A parent's role in their children's learning evolves as kids grow. Parents are their children's learning models. Parents' attitudes about education can inspire their children and show them how to take charge of their own educational journey.

Sincerely,
Angela Sheahan
Tutt Principal

Learning today.....
.....Leading tomorrow

Welcome

We welcome the following new faculty and staff members to John M. Tutt Middle School:

- Ms. Angela Sheahan, Principal
- Ms. Tina Carithers, Assistant Principal
- Dr. Nathaniel Nelson, Assistant Principal
- Ms. Rebecca Bassett, 8th Grade Science Teacher
- Ms. Alina Bengochea, Spanish Teacher
- Ms. Mary Mitchell, Paraprofessional
- Ms. Cassandra Slater, Custodian
- Ms. Kimberly Simpson, School Nutrition

A MINUTE from the CLINIC ...

- If your child has *Asthma*, They are allowed to keep their inhalers with them.
Please send a note OR complete a medication form for their inhaler **to give consent** for it to be with your child.
- Students should be **fever-free for 24 hours** and without use of fever-reducing medications before coming back to school.
That also includes the same when it comes to diarrhea and vomiting, 24 hour free!!!
- Please turn in **All medications** to the Clinic. A parent note or medication form needs to be on file for the medication .

The school DOES NOT supply Tylenol for students.

It must be provided by the parent.

Thanks!! Nurse Stokely

Dates to Remember

- 10/14- Report Cards go out
- 10/15- Title I Annual Meeting @ 6:00 pm
- 10/16- No School for students
- 10/19- 4:15- 5:00 pm Girls Basketball interest meeting in Gym
Must have a Current Physical & Copy of their Insurance Card on File
- 10/19- 6:00-7:30 pm Boys Basketball try-out in Gym
- 10/20- 4:15-6:00 pm Girls Basketball try-outs- in Gym -All Grades- dates TBA
- 10/20- 6:00-7:30 pm Boys Basketball try-out-in Gym
- 10/20- Title I Volunteer Training @ 2:00 pm
- 10/21- 6:00-7:30 pm Boys Basketball try-out in Gym
- 10/22- 6:00-7:30 pm Boys who made the 1st cut on Boys Basketball try-outs
- 10/23 & 10/24- Playing in Warren Rd & Lake Forest Hills Elementary Festivals
- 10/26-Red Ribbon Week celebration 5:30-7:30 at Lake Olmstead
- 11/4 - Title I Volunteer Training @ 9:00 am
- 11/10 - Title I Infinite Campus Parent Portal Training @ 5:00 pm
- 11/11-Veteran's Day Holiday (No School)
- 11/12-Progress Reports Issue
- 11/14- PTO Chili cook-off
- 11/19- Title I Literacy Night (Poetry & Music) @ 6:00 pm
- 11/23-11/27- Thanksgiving Holidays (No School)
- 12/4-PTO Holiday Dance
- 12/17 - Chorus/Band Concert @6:00
- 12/18-End of Second Nine Weeks
- 12/21 - 1/4 -Christmas - Winter Break (No School)
- 1/5- Beginning of Third Nine Weeks (Students Return)



GO DRAGONS!

Parent Internet Viewer

The Infinite Campus Parent Portal

Use this web site to view your child's grades, assignments, teachers email.

Using Activation Key

https://campus.rcss-k12.org/K12_Custom/cparent/index.jsp?appName=richmond&version=2&rel=hhchk

Enter your Activation Key and Click Submit.

If you entered the Activation Key properly, the following screen will display. Select a User Name and Password for your Portal account.

Using Social Security Number

<https://campus.rcss-k12.org/campus/portal/richmond.jsp?status=portalLogoff&lang=en>

Enter your child's Social Security Number in the appropriate space with no dashes. Enter the child's date of birth in the appropriate fields. NOTE: Only one account per parent/guardian is needed regardless of the number of children attending RCSS schools.

If you have any questions concerning Infinite Campus, please contact Ms. Cunningham (Parent Facilitator) at (706) 737-7288 ext. 2825 or cunniya@boe.richmond.k12.ga.us



Parents just a reminder that in order to access your child's info, visit, or pick up your child you must show Identification.

Thank You for understanding our security plan that is in place to protect your child.



The John M. Tutt Middle School Future Business Leaders of America have started off the year with BLAST! On Thursday, October 15, 2015 they will be attending the Annual Motivational Rally in Perry, Georgia. They will have an opportunity to meet and fellowship with other FBLA members across the state of Georgia. As the holiday season approaches, FBLA members will be actively involved on several community service projects in the CRSA. Keep being GREAT LEADERS, John M. Tutt FBLA DRAGONS!!

Tutt's Home web site!!

<http://tutt.rcboe.org/home>

Counselor's Corner

- We have had a busy month in September. Ask your child about the Classroom Guidance session on Cyber Safety Awareness.
- October is National Safe Schools Month. We will highlight various issues such as bullying and conflict resolution.
- Tutt will celebrate Red Ribbon Week October 23-30th.
- The PSAT will be administered to participating 8th grade Coordinate Algebra students on Wednesday, October 14th.
- Thank you for supporting our efforts to reinforce positive social skills in our students.
- Dr. Brewton, Counselor



GOOD JOB TUTT DRAGON Football !
Good Job Boys, thank you for your hard work and dedication!

No Students will be released for early dismissal after 3:45 PM.
 If you need to pick your child up for early dismissal, Please do so before 3:45 pm.
 Your Child's SAFETY is our first priority!!
NO TRANSPORTATION CHANGES will be accepted by phone or email!
 Faxes are accepted: 706-481-1620.
 If a student regularly rides a particular bus home, he or she will NOT be allowed to ride a different bus without a written note from parents . The note will be verified by a phone call to the phone number on the note from the parent .Thank you for adhering to these procedures !

Congratulations to our new Student Council Members!
 This year, our Tutt Middle School Student Council members will be **"M.A.D" (Making A Difference)!** We will have a number of activities for this 2015-2016 school year that will impact our "corner" of the world. The TMS Student Council will focus on activities and events that will make a difference within our community. Join in and help us make a difference!
Student Council Advisor- Mrs. Green



Bragging on Tutt's Dragons

The Tutt Middle School Faculty and Staff would like to recognize the Students of the Month for September and October. These students were chosen by their homeroom teachers and represent the true 3D Dragon!

September Students of the Month

Jaden Cole, Taylor Brigham, Ashley Easley, Ja'Fere Elliot, Ananda Hawk, Corey Hudson, Samuel Lavarias, Tyez Minter, Hannah Moncrief, Ali Naji, Owen Powell, Jashawn Price, Timothy Rewis, Raven Rhoney, Laniah Roberson, Camden Thomas, Elizabeth Sousa, Zykira Stewart

October Students of the Month

Timothy Allen, Alexis Bland, Tauren Blaylock, Tamara Duckworth, Makiyah Dunbar, Alicia Easley, Ra'Nashia Flounory, Jimmie Harper, Jaida Johnson, Zaria Malone, Rockell McGee, Tonasia McMillan, Austin Melnyk, Toa Mendiola, Derrick Ragland, Angel Renteria, Vontrice Sturgis, Myles Tillman, Julianna Viera, Cheryl Washington



Lunchroom News

YES, Students are eating at NO cost. If a student wants to purchase an extra food / drink item, there is an extra fee charged. **REMEMBER TO GET A FRUIT OR VEG. OR BOTH ON YOUR TRAY EVERY DAY!**

READING BOWL TEAM NEWS :Reading Bowl Competition Team meets twice each week and is reading the 20 books nominated for the Georgia Book Award for 2015. Richmond County School District competition will be held, **Saturday, January 30th** . The top two teams will then compete in the Regional event which will be held **February 13th**. We have a great team comprised of students from all three grades. If you are interested in participating in the reading competition, please drop by the library.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance is a critical factor in student success. Children should attend school every day except in cases of illness or emergency. Parents, when your child is absent, please remember to send in a note to be turned in to the homeroom teacher.

TUTT PTO – Thank You to All of our members for your support! It is Never to late to Join PTO it is ONLY \$5.00! Our Tutt Middle School Lanyards are on sale in the front office for \$2.00! Please visit our Facebook page: [Tutt Middle School PTO](#) or email us at : Tuttdragonpto@gmail.com

Thanks to everyone that supported the Book Fair. A special shot out to Mrs. Newsome for volunteering and helping with the Book Fair. A special thanks to all the teachers that brought your classes to the media center for the Book Fair.

SOFTBALL NEWS

News From the Field...

The Tutt Dragon 2015/2016 Girl's Softball Team is off to a great start! Even though we are a "young" team, we're a strong team! The girls are dedicated and are eager to play ball... anytime and anywhere! Thank You to those who came out to a game and supported the Lady Dragons!

Fitness Gram

People come in all shapes and sizes, but everyone can benefit from regular physical activity and a healthy level of physical fitness. The FITNESS - GRAM fitness test battery evaluates five different parts of health-related fitness, including aerobic capacity, muscular strength, muscular endurance, flexibility, and body composition. Parents play an important role in shaping children's physical activity and dietary habits. This report will help you evaluate your child's current level of health-related fitness and help you identify ways to promote healthy lifestyles in your family.

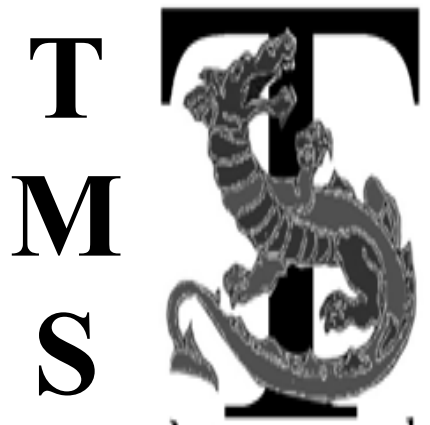
For additional information on the FITNESSGRAM tests or to learn about how the Health Fitness Zones were established, visit the FITNESSGRAM Reference Guide at :

www.fitnessgram.net.

PARENTS!! Please update your contact list with your **CURRENT** phone Numbers !!!



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Cheerleading
 Tutt Cheerleaders have been doing an outstanding job CHEERING /STUNTING for our football team and getting the crowd involved. Way to go Ladies!!!