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# ROOT WORD

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Dear Aldert Root Families,

The Lockdown Drill (Code Red Drill)  
scheduled for last Monday will be  
rescheduled.

We all know..... "Root Rocks"

The Aldert Root Educational Foundation

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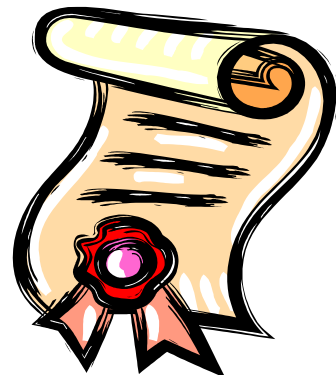
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## *Reflections Breakfast on Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>*

*On Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, all  
Participants and staff  
Are invited to join us  
For breakfast  
Beginning @ 8am  
In the gym.  
Some students will  
Be performing during this  
Event.*

*John and Gigi will play the violin  
From 8 to 8:30. We also have  
A CD with music*

*Submitted by  
John, Haley H and Aydlett G  
That will be played.*



invites you to join them on Saturday, February 27, 8 – 11:30 p.m. at North Hills Club for "Root Rocks". This celebration and Fundraiser will feature "Woodward South" and a super cool silent auction. Attire: Your Best Jeans! Ticket Price \$35 in advance- \$40 at the door. All proceeds benefit the Aldert Root Educational Foundation. For ticket information, consult your online Root Word.

See you there!

The Reflections Awards Breakfast has been rescheduled for Thursday morning, February 11<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 to 9:00 am. All Reflections participants and their families are invited to attend. All participants will be recognized.

Ms. Coupland's and Ms. Paysour's classes have met their goal for following behavioral expectations and have earned a reward and recognition.

Bus 7 met their goal for showing good behavior on the bus. Great work boys

and girls! Have a wonderful week.

-Drew Ware



## ***PHOTOS NEEDED!***

The Yearbook Committee could still use your help! We have been busy taking candid photos to include in this year's yearbook and are getting close to our deadlines. Please send us copies of pictures you have taken at Root, and we will try to include them. We strive to fill the yearbook with as many different children and activities as possible. Our committee will use its best judgment when deciding which photos to include. We will not include photos that are blurry, hard to see, or inappropriate. We also cannot return them to you. Label the photos on the back, telling us what grade and activity they represent. Then place them in the "Yearbook" PTA mailbox located in the copy room where the office is.





"McTeacher" night has been scheduled for **February 18, 2010** at the Cameron Village location. McDonalds will donate from all of the sales, including drive-thru, from 5-8! It should be a blast for all of us! Save the date and join us at Cameron Village McDonalds for dinner while supporting our school. **Rumor is that some of our staff will be taking orders and serving the customers. Stay tuned for more info about this McRumor.**

### Daniels Middle School Info:

On Thursday, Feb. 18th, 6:30 to 8pm. Daniels Middle School Information Night for Parents and Students of Rising 6th Graders Interested in Daniels. Tour the school and meet some 6th Grade Teachers. This is a great opportunity to see what DMS can offer your child as well as a great opportunity to meet some of their wonderful staff. If you are unable to attend on February 18th, DMS will begin giving tours to prospective students every Wednesday at 12:25 p.m. beginning on Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. The tours will be Student Lead and will be done by appointment only. To make an appointment for a tour, please e-mail Kathy McDaniel at [kmcdaniel@wcpss.net](mailto:kmcdaniel@wcpss.net) or call her at 881-4867.

### "5 for Haiti"

Root's Student Council has decided to sponsor a community service project called "5 for Haiti". For this service project students can donate **5 pennies, 5 nickels, 5 dimes, 5 quarters, or 5 dollars**. Collection bags will be in each classroom, and student council members will collect donations daily. Due to the urgency of the need in Haiti, this project will take place **this week**. Donations will be sent to UMCOR ([www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org)) where 100% of donations will be sent directly to the relief effort in Haiti. If you would like to send a donation by check, please make the check out to UMCOR and include Haiti relief #418325 on the check. Thank you in advance for your support of this community service project!

### Application Period for WCPSS Calendar and Magnet School Program

The application period for the Wake County Public School System calendar and magnet schools will open Feb. 8 and continue to Feb. 28. The application schedule was adjusted to Feb. 8 - 28 to allow families enrolling kindergarten students to have their students signed up for school. Applications will **only be accepted online**. Calendar and magnet applications are available Feb. 8 - 28. There is no benefit to applying early or late within that window of time. Families may apply for both calendar choice and magnet schools. If an application is submitted for both calendar and magnet schools, the magnet application will be considered **first** in the selection process. If you need assistance submitting your application, please contact the Office of Growth and Planning (919-850-1921), the Magnet Resource Center (919-501-7900), or the media center at your nearest school.



Procurement Form.pdf

(\*Click above to print out form)

## **\*More "Root Rocks" Fundraiser Info\***

*Save the Date: Saturday, February 27th*

Join the Aldert Root Educational Foundation for a "Root Rocks" Celebration & Super Cool Silent Auction featuring

### **"Woodward South"**

(Aldert Root Alumni Earl Johnson's Band)

Saturday, February 27th

8:00 – 11:30 p.m.

North Hills Club – 4824 Yadkin Drive

Attire: Your Best Jeans and Boots

**Ticket Price \$35 in advance / \$40 at the door - includes two drink tickets; We are proud to report we have 45 sponsors for the "Root Rocks" fundraiser. Thank you so very much. All proceeds benefit the Aldert Root Educational Foundation.**

**Invitations were mailed last week. Please RSVP quickly- limited tickets are available!**

**A special thank you to Molly Thompson for designing the invitation and handling the printing.**

## **DONATE Silent Auction Items!**

A Donation form is attached to this week's Root Word and can also be found in the "Root Rocks" mailbox. Contact Silent Auction chairs, Shana Stutts ([shanastutts@mindspring.com](mailto:shanastutts@mindspring.com)) or Katie Lyon ([Katie\\_lyon@yahoo.com](mailto:Katie_lyon@yahoo.com)) for additional information. Deadline for all items is Feb., 17th.

**Exciting items for Silent Auction include:**

*A song written and recorded specifically for your child by Mr. Ware, Carolina Hurricanes tickets, NC State basketball tickets/birthday party, Lowe's Motor Speedway tickets & pit passes, Beach weekends in Atlantic Beach and Ocean Isle, Private party at Berkley Cafe with Earl Johnson's band "Woodward South", Paintings by Gail Scoggin and Susan Ricks, Wine tasting in your home and much more!*

## ***50/50 Raffle***

***Get ready to support your school for a chance to take home some cash. We will be selling \$10.00 raffle tickets at the fundraiser - half of the money will go to the school and the other half to the lucky winner. Look on your invitation and order raffle tickets through the RSVP card.***

**For more information, contact Heather Thompson: [hbthompson@mindspring.com](mailto:hbthompson@mindspring.com) or 215.4196.**



# CHARACTER EDUCATION

Last month the character trait was kindness. Mother Teresa was the historical figure that the students read about and learned of her immeasurable kindness towards others. Ask your students to retell her story! Thanks for reading Rebecca Bennett, Holly Yancey, Tina Glover and Lou Welch. This month Jackie Robinson will be our historical figure. **If you are interested in reading please call Lou at 782-8794.** We need readers and your child and their fellow students will appreciate it!



## **Pennies for Peace Reminder**

We are delighted to share with you that our students will participate in a Pennies for Peace Campaign until April 30th. Pennies for Peace is a service-learning program designed to broaden our students' cultural horizons while teaching them about their capacities as philanthropists-one penny at a time. Pennies for Peace is a program of Central Asia Institute (CAI) founded by Greg Mortenson - author of the #1 NY Times bestseller, Three Cups of Tea. CAI is a registered 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization that promotes and provides community-based education and literary programs, especially for girls, in remote mountain regions of Central Asia. Founded in 1996, CAI has built, to date, nearly 100 schools in Afghanistan and Pakistan, which serve more than 28,000 students. How can a penny bring peace? It doesn't buy much in our community. However, in the villages of Pakistan and Afghanistan, a penny can buy a pencil, start an education, and transform a life. In a region where terrorist organizations recruit uneducated, illiterate children, that penny can empower a child to read, write, and learn. The Pennies for Peace program goal is to encourage our students, who are ultimately our future leaders, to learn the value of philanthropy by collecting pennies for global peace. If you have any questions about our Pennies for Peace campaign, please contact Martha Moore (1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher) at 881-4940. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,  
The Root Faculty



## Our Snow Make-Up Days are:

Traditional

Monday, February 15; Monday, March 29; and Thursday, June 10



## FEBRUARY STAFF BIRTHDAYS:

**Lib Upchurch, Feb. 09**

**Coach Ledford, Feb. 18**



## Dates to Remember:

- \*Wednesday, February 10- School dismissed @ 2:45
- \*Thursday, February 11- Reflections Breakfast @ 8:00
- \*Monday, February 15- SNOW MAKE-UP DAY
- \*Wednesday, February 17-School dismissed @ 2:45
- \*Thursday, February 18- McDonalds @ Cameron V.
- \*Wednesday, February 24-School dismissed @ 2:45
- \*Saturday, February 27- "Root Rocks" at NH CLUB

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- **2009-10 Bell Schedule** - 9:05 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.
- **2009-10 Enrollment** - 476

