



DACS DISPATCH October 2024

Growing Readers



When I was a kid, one of my favorite authors was Judy Blume. I could knock out a whole chapter book in one night. All I needed was a flashlight and sleeping parents! Today, I still love books, but I usually listen to them on Audible. Children today have so many other things competing for their attention. How can we “grow” our children to be readers, not just when they are young, but as they get older as well? According to RaiseReadyKids.com, even if you do everything right as a parent, your child will probably go through phases of reading and not reading as he grows up. When your child is young, your goal should be to plant seeds of reading pleasure and self-identity, so your child chooses reading more often later, when they are in charge of their time. Here are some tips...

1. Put books everywhere: Make it easy for your child to find books because — well, they’re everywhere he goes. Your child should be stumbling over books. There should be books in his bedroom, of course. Also, you might put small baskets of books in the kitchen, car, and bathroom. It’s always a great idea to make a special reading nook somewhere, like a tent out of blankets. Or set up a corner of his room that’s extra cozy and has books in it.

2. Help your child discover the delight of reading: Make reading time snuggle time. Don’t just read the words; get excited about the story and ham it up! Enjoy a favorite drink while you read. Read together as a whole family. Go to the library and let your child choose a book; stop for a favorite snack on the way home.

3. Manage your child’s time so there is always time and space for reading: Set certain times when reading is just what you do. Don’t ask your child, just do it habitually so that it’s expected. Bedtime is natural, of course. Bath time can be great, too. Time to read has to be protected as well as created, and here’s where electronic devices are one of the greatest challenges for parents. Most preschool children love moving images on a screen. They’ll often choose to play with a device or watch TV over reading. Setting limits when your child is young is crucial. Also, avoid “rewarding” your child with screen time after she reads. That’s sending the wrong message. You want him to come to see reading and books as more interesting than screen time — at least sometimes. Your child will not grow up to be a reader if she has not experienced joy in reading. There are multiple reasons to limit your child’s screen time, but one of the best is to give your child time and space to discover the delight in books.

Following these steps will not guarantee that your child will grow up to be an independent reader. There are many more bridges to cross before that might happen. But early experiences create a foundation on which you and your child can build. Start now and have fun!

For more information on this or other parenting tips check out raisereadykids.com/

October

Calendar

OCTOBER

10/8 Picture Day

10/11 End of First Quarter

10/14-18 Fall Break: Enjoy this time with your family!

10/21 Digital Day/Parent-Teacher Conferences

10/25 Hispanic Heritage Cultural Celebration

10/27 Fall Festival

Picture Day

DACS FALL PICTURE DAY

TUESDAY OCTOBER 8
Get those DACS smiles camera ready!

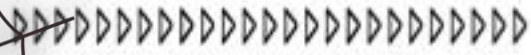
Proofs will be sent via email or to the school with all the information needed to place your order. All students will take a picture. All students must be in their official DACS uniform.



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October



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The World Wide Web

Lost and Found

Monitoring children's computer or cell phone use is essential for their safety, well-being, and development. The internet offers countless opportunities for learning and connection, but it also harbors risks such as cyberbullying, exposure to inappropriate content, online predators, and privacy breaches. Without proper oversight, children may inadvertently share personal information, download harmful content, or engage in unhealthy social media habits. Monitoring ensures that children are using technology in age-appropriate, constructive ways while also preventing excessive screen time, which can negatively impact mental health, sleep patterns, and academic performance.



To safeguard children, parents can implement several strategies. First, establish clear rules about online behavior, such as never sharing personal details or speaking with strangers. Second, use parental control software to filter inappropriate content and set time limits for device usage. Third, regularly review their browsing history and app usage, creating an open dialogue about the websites they visit and the apps they use. Encouraging offline activities and balancing screen time with physical and social interaction also helps promote healthier habits. Finally, educating children on the potential dangers and encouraging responsible online behavior empowers them to make safer decisions. By combining these proactive measures, parents can protect their children from digital risks while fostering positive, mindful technology use.

Baby, it's cold outside! Well, hopefully soon. Our lost and found is overflowing with jackets, sweaters, and other items. They will be set out on a table in the lobby. If your child has a missing item, come and look through the many things that have been turned in as lost. With that being said, please label your child's personal items so that they can be easily found if misplaced.



UNIFORMS

By now everyone should have their official DACS school uniforms. Light blue or dark blue, red polo with DACS embroidery, khaki or navy pants or skirts. Navy blue sweaters or sweater vests only for classroom wear. Outdoor jackets and coats can be any color. Visit Frenchtoast.com for your fall and winter gear! Search by school or use our school code: QS61SNV. We have a few brand new pieces in our collection at school. Stop by the front office if you're interested.

Fun Fact: I'm sure you've seen this little baby hanging around in your trees, house corners, utility poles. It's the [Joro spider](#). They are an invasive species of spider from East Asia and can grow as big as 3 inches...YIKES!



DACS Benefit Concert featuring...Wintley Phipps— UPDATE

Ticket sales are picking up. If you haven't made your goals, you still have a few weeks left. If you need additional flyers or posters for your home church. Let us know. They are available in English and in Spanish! [Click here](#) to purchase additional tickets or drop in to the front office. Sell, Sell, Sell!

Celebrating Jesus!

Wintley Phipps

A Benefit Concert for
Duluth Adventist Christian School

featuring DACS Una Voce & Harmonia choirs
and Atlanta Adventist Academy Ringers
5990 Oakbrook Pkwy, Norcross GA 30093

DECEMBER 14, 2024 | 6:30-8 pm

Tickets: \$25

To purchase tickets scan QR
Email: dacsisgreat@gmail.com
Call: 770-497-8607

Our color scheme for the evening is Royal blue and gold. So start looking now for those special dresses and suits!





Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month with our culminating event on Friday, October 25. There will be a fashion show, showcasing native, traditional outfits. Students can showcase art, poetry, or music. Last, there will be a Hispanic Food Festival featuring delicious eats from a variety of Spanish speaking countries! Yum!



GUATEMALA

The two blue arrows on the outer edges represent the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic Ocean. The middle arrow stands for peace and unity.

These arrows also represent the sun over the ocean.

Native Food

Most traditional foods in Guatemala cuisine are based on Maya cuisine, with Spanish influence, and prominently feature corn, chilies and beans as key ingredients. Guatemala is famously home to the *fiambre picado* and the *pernitas de chocolate*, as first created by the Maya.

- Tamal
- Tanado
- Pepian
- Champurradas

Cultural Celebrations and Festivals

Guatemala Celebrations and festivals are strongly influenced by Mayan and Catholic traditions.

Guatemala's Traditional Festivals and Holidays:

- Independence Day - September 15
- Carneval (Carnivals) - December 28 - 31
- Colón's Folkloric Festival - Holy Week (Feriado) - March 7 / April
- Holy Week (Santo Domingo) - March / April
- Day of the Dead and All Souls Day at Todos Santos November 1 - 2
- Day of the Dead Wine Festival (Santo Domingo Sacatepequez) - November 1
- Burns the Devil Celebrations (La Gloria del Chel) - December 2
- Feriado of San Thomas in Chichicastenango - December 15
- The Piñonero of the Black Christ of Escavadas - January 15

Capital City and Population

The capital of Guatemala is Guatemala City, which was founded 1526. Guatemala City has been the capital since 1723. Guatemala City is located at 14.6349° N, 90.5069° W at an elevation of 4921'. It is estimated that the population of Guatemala City proper is about 1 million, while its urban area is almost 3 million.

Notable Person and their Contribution

- Cayo Moreno** Blues Artist
- Maria Gabriela Moreno Fomila**, known as Cayo Moreno, is a Guatemalteca folk singer and guitarist. Her music ranges from blues, jazz, soul to R&B.
- Erick Barredo** Olympic athlete
- He was the silver medalist at the Mexico World Rowing in the 2012 Summer Olympics, the first Olympic medal in Guatemala's history.
- Carlos Merida** Painter/Artist
- A Guatemalteco painter/artist who was one of the first to fuse European modernism with Latin American themes, especially those related to Guatemala and Mexico.

Native Plants and Animals

- Ilama fruit tree
- Howler Monkey
- Sweet Scented Lucaste
- Mazows
- Netleaf Oak
- Toucans
- White Sapote
- Jaguars

CUBA

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Pam Cleveland / 205-612-0961
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Lunch Cost \$5.00



- LUNCH PAYMENT OPTIONS**
1. Cash
 2. Cash App: \$pjcleland
 3. Zelle: pamcleveland2@gmail.com
 4. Check Payable to Pam Cleveland



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



Soft Tacos
Corn
Cookies **1**

Pizza
Salad
Fruit **2**

Vege Steak
Mash Potatoes
Vegetables
Roll **3**

Hot Dogs
Bake Beans
Chips **4**

Spaghetti
Salad
Garlic Bread **7**

Haystack
Fruit **8**

FriPat Burger
Chips
GoGurt **9**

Teriyaki Chicken
Rice
Broccoli
Spring Roll **10**

Vege Burger
Carrot Sticks
Chips **11**



Burrito Bowl
(Rice, black beans, lettuce,
tomato, cheese, sour
cream)
Chips / Salsa **22**

Pizza
Salad
GoGurt **23**

Chicken Alfredo
Salad
Garlic Bread **24**

DacChicken
Sandwich
Chips
Fruit **25**

Cheese Ravioli
Salad
Garlic Bread **28**

Nachos
Fruit **29**

Chicken Nuggets
Fries
Corn **30**

Chili Macaroni
Salad
Roll **31**



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**8TH GRADE
Car Wash
FUNDRAISER**
car wash code- 02959

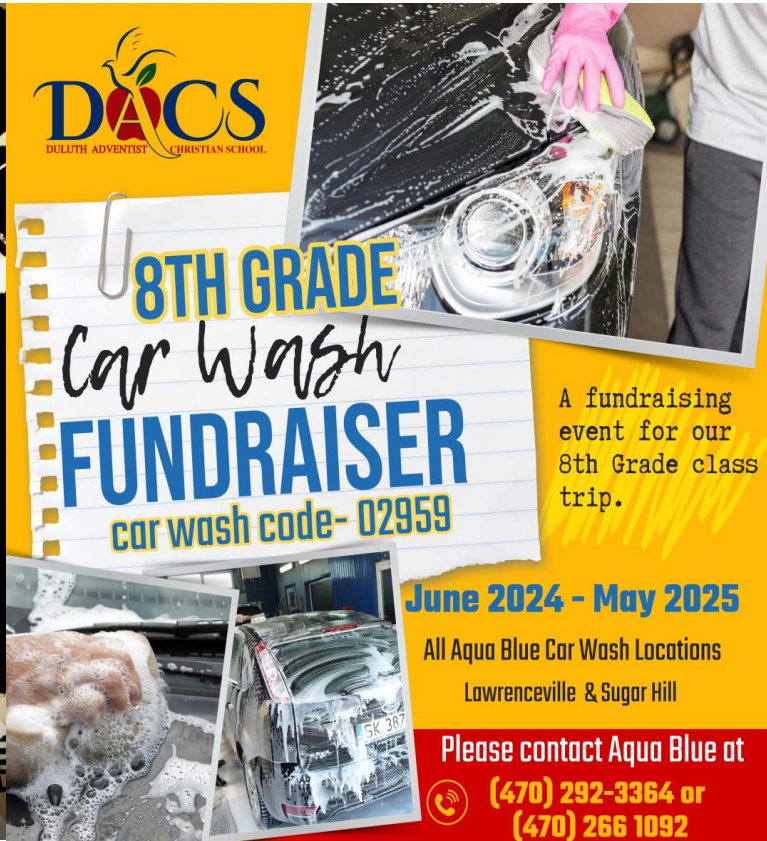
A fundraising event for our 8th Grade class trip.

June 2024 - May 2025

All Aqua Blue Car Wash Locations
Lawrenceville & Sugar Hill

Please contact Aqua Blue at

**(470) 292-3364 or
(470) 266 1092**



PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Don't forget to sign up for Parent Teacher conferences. Your child's teacher will be sending a sign-up opportunity. Sign up to find out how your child is progressing in school—test data, daily performance, and classroom behaviors.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE
DULUTH ADVENTIST CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

FALL FESTIVAL

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH

1:00-4:00 pm

2959 Duluth Hwy 120, Duluth, GA 30096

MUSIC * FALL THEMED CRAFTS
FOOD * GAMES * PRIZES
INFLATABLES * RAFFLES
AND MUCH MORE

For questions or more information please contact Duluth Adventist Christian School 770-497-8607 or dacsisgreat@gmail.com




FALL FESTIVAL VENDOR REGISTRATION FORM

Print Name: _____

Print Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact number: _____

Items to sell/promote: _____

Signature: _____

Yes, I would like to be a vendor for a one-time gift of \$25.

Yes, I will donate a one-time gift of: \$ _____

Option: Donate in person (cash or check) ~PayPal ~Zelle dacsisgreat@gmail.com note: Fall Fest Vendor

We will set up (1) 7-foot table for you. You will need to bring your own covering, décor, signage, etc. Fall Bazaar will be located in the gym.

DACS Classes will be selling hot food and beverage items. If you wish to sell food items, they must be pre-packaged as a to-go item.

Vendors may not sell any foods, beverages, or items that do not line up with our Christian Adventist beliefs. Registration is based on approval. If your items are not approved, you will receive 100% refund.



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featured
in our
monthly
news!**

**Advertise your
business in the
DACCS DISPATCH.**

**Send your business card or
company flyer and for a donation of
\$250 (\$25/month), you will be
featured up to 10 months.**

**Proceeds will go to the
worthy student fund.
Contact Sabrina Patton:
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