

Elizabeth Cobb Middle School
Excellent on Purpose

Cub Claws

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Nothing But Net

Just last week, our Lady Cubs killed it on the courts to prove themselves worthy of a championship. Coach Norris's basketball team faced the Rickard's Raiders and ended with a win, taking home the district trophy. Here is what

Coach Keely Norris had to say after their big win: "This year's team was incredible. My girls have worked hard to train, practice, and work together. I am extremely proud of them. If you see one of them in the halls, on

campus, or around town, please congratulate them for their hard work, dedication, and continued support of their teammates' successes and failures." Both the team and Coach Norris will be looking forward to working toward another championship next year.

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It is amazing that the first half of our school year has come to a close. The first semester proved to be very busy, but rewarding. Our faculty and staff continue to work diligently to challenge our students to continue their forward movement toward scholastic excellence. Additionally, our students extended their academic school day preparing for and participating in numerous extracurricular events such as the Spelling Bee, Tropicana Speech, Science Fair, Performing Arts programs, and many, many athletic competitions. To that end,

the wonderful faculty and staff members of Cobb recognize the very important role and contributions our parents and community members make in support of our students and school. We continue to value our parent and community partnerships and thank you for your continued dedication.

As we prepare for the second semester, we are granted an opportunity to set new goals and continue our focus on learning. I encourage parents to review first semester grades with their student and have a goal-setting conversation to establish targets for the up-

coming grading periods. Continuing your instituted routines for studying and home-work is also essential for maintaining academic focus. Likewise, set aside time to read for at least twenty minutes every night. Reading together can be a wonderful family activity that also promotes literacy.

As we start our winter break, the faculty and staff of Cobb Middle School would like to wish each of you a safe, healthy, and HAPPY Holiday season! It is our wish that each and every one enjoy this much deserved break!

Tonja Fitzgerald

Principal



Common Sense Media (CSM)

As a media/technology specialist and parent, I highly recommend the website Common Sense Media (CSM) and the valuable resources they provide for parents, children, young adults and teachers about all aspects of media in general. The information from CSM is very in-depth and exhaustive so I have compiled this site to help direct you to the resources that I feel are most pertinent for middle school parents, students, and educators on Cobb's Technology webpage.

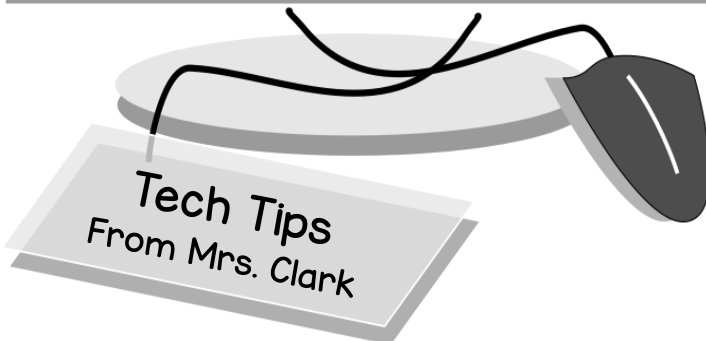
<https://www.commonsensemedia.org>



Our Media Center has been very busy and we had a very successful fall Book Fair. If you missed it, we will have a second Book Fair in the spring.

Overdue notices will be sent out periodically reminding students to round up their borrowed books and bring them back to our Media Center (this includes books from past elementary media centers).

Parents, please check with your child from time to time to see if they have any overdue books. If so, please have them check **EVERYWHERE** to find them and turn them in!



Classroom Credit

We want to give a shout out to an awesome classroom here on campus. Classrooms may be chosen for creativity in setup, lessons, or teacher effort that is above and beyond expectation and truly emulates our standard of excellence at Cobb Middle School. This quarter's shout out goes to Mrs. Parker! She challenged her students and led her class to win the "Achieve 3000 Read to Succeed" competition.

Keep up the great



Safety Tips

From Deputy Morris

As you prepare for the holidays, please keep these tips in mind. When shopping for holiday gifts and treasures, make sure to park in lighted areas of parking lots closer to the building. Additionally, keep purchased items hidden in your vehicle as people will break windows and take your items. Stay safe this holiday and have a happy New Year!

Calendar of Events

- 12/18-1/1 Winter Holiday
- 1/2 Teacher Planning Day
- 1/3 Students Return
- 1/15 MLK Holiday
- 3/9 End of 3rd 9 Weeks
- 3/12-3/16 Spring Break
- 3/19 Teacher Planning
- 3/20 Students Return

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The next issue of Cub Claws will be released in March.



WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULE



| Day | Date | Sport | Opponent | Location | Time |
|-----------|---------|------------|-------------|--------------------|--------|
| Monday | 1/22/18 | Basketball | Deerlake | Deerlake | 6:00PM |
| Monday | 1/22/18 | Soccer | Fort Braden | Belle Vue Field #2 | 6:00PM |
| Wednesday | 1/24/18 | Basketball | Montford | Cobb | 6:00PM |
| Wednesday | 1/24/18 | Soccer | Woodville | Belle Vue Field #2 | 6:00PM |
| Monday | 1/29/18 | Basketball | Fairview | Cobb | 6:00PM |
| Wednesday | 1/31/18 | Basketball | Nims | Nims | 6:00PM |
| Wednesday | 1/31/18 | Soccer | Nims | Belle Vue Field #2 | 6:00PM |
| Monday | 2/5/18 | Basketball | Swift Creek | Cobb | 6:00PM |
| Tuesday | 2/6/18 | Soccer | Griffin | Belle Vue Field #2 | 6:00PM |
| Thursday | 2/8/18 | Soccer | Fort Braden | Belle Vue Field #2 | 6:00PM |
| Monday | 2/12/18 | Basketball | Raa | Raa | 6:00PM |
| Tuesday | 2/13/18 | Soccer | Woodville | Belle Vue Field #2 | 6:00PM |
| Wednesday | 2/14/18 | Basketball | Fort Braden | Cobb | 6:00PM |
| Monday | 2/19/18 | Soccer | Nims | Belle Vue Field #1 | 6:00PM |
| Monday | 2/19/18 | Basketball | Griffin | Griffin | 6:00PM |
| Thursday | 2/22/18 | Soccer | Griffin | Belle Vue Field #2 | 6:00PM |

