



Mustang Express

James McGee Elementary School
Robin Hay, Principal



August-September 2012

...From The Desk Of The Principal

Dear Parents and Student,

Welcome back to another exciting school year at McGee! I hope that your summer was restful, fun and educational. With the start of school, we will see many more vehicles on the road, especially during school hours. Please consider whether driving your child to school is needed. It is good for children to get exercise by walking to and from school. We have crossing guards stationed on the major streets and roads that students will need to cross. If you do drive your child to school, please remember that the rules of the road apply to the parking lot. Cell phones should not be in use as you drive through the lot. Please drive extra slow, yield to pedestrians, and drop your children on the sidewalk. Students may not walk through the parking lot unescorted. It would only take one tragedy for everyone to change their ways, but the damage would be done.

McGee has a very active PTO and also an award winning ATP (Action Team for Partnerships). The PTO works in traditional ways to help support the students and their activities at school. The ATP is a partnership of parents, staff and sometimes community members. **This group meets once a month on the third Wednesday. Meeting times are from 2:00-3:00 p.m.** This allows more staff members to participate. The group works with the PTO and other school groups to sponsor events at school. This group is a great example of collaborative work between parents and school staff. Our goal is more learning for students! If you would be interested in joining, please contact the school. **We are actively looking for two to three new ATP members at this time.**

We are planning a **First-Fifth Grade** new student orientation on Tuesday, August 21 at 1:00 p.m. It will begin in the cafeteria with a PowerPoint presentation about the school. Students/parents will also be able to take a tour of the school and find their classroom. Mrs. McLaughlin, school counselor, and Mrs. Brown, vice principal will lead the tour. Please plan to join us for this event.

Our Ice Cream Social will be changing to an Open House and Ice Cream Social. We will hold this on the Thursday before school begins. We will begin at 6:00 p.m. by taking school supplies to classes. Students will be in the gym for a movie while parents will attend a traditional Open House from 6:20-7:30 p.m. We ask that parents start in one child's classroom and move on to another room after our signal. We will have three rotations. Finally, we will gather for ice cream before going home. Please check our website for more details.

Check out our school website on the Pasco School District site. Then go to schools and find McGee. We have a very up to date site with a lot of information. If you have suggestions for information to be included drop us a note/email. Also, sign up for our McGee Information email list to receive an electronic copy of school flyers that are sent home. Enjoy your last few days of summer and we will see you soon.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Hay

2012-2013 Schedule

(Start/stop times)

8:40 a.m.

Breakfast served
Students may be on
playground

9:00 a.m.

School starts

11:55 a.m.

Morning Kindergarten
session dismissal

12:45 p.m.

Afternoon Kindergarten
starts

3:40 p.m.

Dismissal time on Monday,
Tuesday, Thursday and
Friday

1:40 p.m.

Dismissal on Wednesday

Kindergarten sessions will alternate attending school on Wednesdays. A schedule will be given to kindergarten parents.



August- September

Dates to Remember

New Student Tour 1:00 p.m.—cafeteria	Aug. 21
Open House and Ice Cream Social 6:00—7:30 p.m.	Aug. 23
1st day of school 9:00 a.m.—3:40 p.m.	Aug. 28
Labor day No classes held	Sept. 3
Krispy Kreme Fundraiser	Sept. 10-
Mustang Round-up 4:30-7:30 p.m.	Sept. 14
Krispy Kreme Pickup at 8:00 a.m.	Sept. 27

2012-2013 Faculty Roster

Mrs. Hay, Principal
 Mrs. Brown, Vice Principal
 Ms. Taylor Siemon, Vice Principal
 Mrs. Mitchell, Secretary
 Mrs. Romero, Attendance Clerk
 Mrs. Nelson, Clerk

Kindergarten

A.M./P.M.	Mrs. Aldrich	Room A-4
A.M./P.M.	Ms. Gragg	Room A-5
A.M.	Mrs. Russell	Room A-3
P.M.	Mrs. Moreno	Room A-3

1st Grade

Ms. Moss	Room A-1
Mrs. Guzman	Room A-2
Mrs. Bieber	Room A-6
Ms. Sparks-Perry	Room A-7
Mrs. Mattox	Room A-8
Ms. Hollenbeck	Room B-4
Mrs. Salisbury	Room B-5

2nd Grade

Mrs. Fulton/Mrs. Moore	Room B-1
Mr. Lugo	Room B-2
Mrs. Perkins	Room B-3
Miss Peoples	Room B-6
Mrs. Palomarez	Room C-4
Mrs. Lamb	Room C-5

3rd Grade

Ms. Flannery	Room C-1
Mrs. Bushey	Room C-2
Ms. Halverson	Room C-3
Miss Dooley	Room C-6
Mrs. Sullivan	Room P29B
Mrs. Santo	Room P30B

4th Grade

Mrs. Vincent	Room P29A
Mrs. Gomez	Room P29B
Ms. Mendonca	Room P30B
Miss VanderSchoor	Room P31A
Mrs. Wright	Room P32A
Mr. Ehlis	Room P32B

5th Grade

Mrs. Naylor	Room P24
Mr. Girard	Room P27
Miss Clark	Room P28A
Mrs. Kopf	Room P28B
Mrs. Borey	Room P30A

Special Education

Mrs. Giles (E.R.R.)	Room P26
Mrs. Feryn (Resource Room)	C Pod
Mrs. Estes (Resource Room)	B Pod

Specialists

Mrs. Brown	Facilitator—office
Mr. Mahoney	Librarian
Ms. Hendrickson	Art
Mr. Young	Technology
Mr. Elliott	P.E.
Mrs. Smith	Music
Mrs. McLaughlin	Counselor
Mr. Lenmon	Psychologist
Mrs. Stubblefield	Nurse
Mrs. Ratliff	Speech
Ms. James	Occupational Therapist

PTO Board Members 2012-2013

President—**Jamie Southworth**
 Vice President—**Heidi Redfield**
 Secretary—**Gina Bartels**
 Treasurer—**Bob Gelston**
 Volunteer Coordinator—**Tonya Steele**
 PTO Webpage—**Stacey Harbour-VanHoy**
 Book Fair Chairperson—**Open**
 Fall Fundraiser Chairperson—**Open**
 Trunk or Treat Chairperson—**Open**
 Candy Grams Chairperson—**Open**
 Spring Fundraiser Chairperson—**Open**
 Student Store Chairperson—**Open**
 Popcorn Friday Chairperson—**Gina Bartels**
 Movie Night Chairperson—**Open**
 Mustang Round-up Chairperson—**Lisa Scott**
 Valentine Workshop Chairperson—**Open**
 T-shirt Sales Chairperson—**Open**

If you are interested in an open position, please contact the office at 547-6583.

New Student Orientation 1st—5th Grades Only

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P.S.D. New Meal Prices 2012-2013

K-5th gr.....	\$1.25	breakfast
K-5th gr.....	\$2.35	lunch
Adult.....	\$2.50	breakfast
Adult.....	\$4.00	lunch
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Back to School Open House and Ice Cream Social

We are going to have a **Back to School Open House and Ice Cream Social** on Thursday, August 23, 2012. The activities will start at 6:00 p.m. Classrooms will be open at 6:00 p.m. to drop off school supplies. At 6:15 p.m. school aged students will go to the gym for a movie. They will be supervised by our new Peer Helpers. Classroom sessions for parents will be at 6:20 p.m., 6:45 p.m. and 7:10 p.m. Teachers will be available to discuss their classroom routines and rules, grade level curriculum and Grade Level Expectations. Handouts will be available for parents. An ice cream bar will be available in the cafeteria afterwards (one per person).

