

# P.E.N. Report Puckett Elementary News Bringing out the BESTI

Best of the

Month



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### October News

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We've had a great start to our 2020/2021 school year. Teachers and students are working hard daily, and the learning that is taking place at Puckett Elementary is at an all time high. Our teachers are working hard to create a safe, learning environment conducive to the best learning for our students. Our teachers have participated in technology professional development and will continue to do so each month to ensure we are offering optimal learning experiences throughout the year. Please continue checking your child's Google Classroom Parent Portal to ensure you keep up to date with important information. We appreciate our PES families supporting us and being an invaluable part of our learning community.

### Scholastic Book Fair

October has always been an exciting month for us because our Scholastic Book Fair arrives. However, because our students' safety is our top priority, our Scholastic Book Fair has been pushed back to next semester. More information will come home about this exciting reading opportunity for our PES families in the Spring.

Teacher, Staff, Parent, & Student of the Month Club

Teacher of the Month:

Mrs. Amy Landfair, Preschool Teacher Staff of the Month:

Mrs. Erica Boone, MSIS/Records
Students of the Month:

Character Trait: INTEGRITY-choosing to be truthful in whatever you say or do

Preschool: Maddyx Martin
Kindergarten: Skylar Bacon
Ist Grade: Lane Lawson
2nd Grade: Sadie Leigh Holyfield

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Brooks Morrow 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Brody Stewart 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Zia Fletcher

6th Grade: Keely Thornton Random Acts of Kindness Recipient Olivia Ledbetter, 1st Grade



### October 26th-30th

This year for Red Ribbon Week, instead of dress up days, we want to focus more on community outreach and things we can do to help others. There will be boxes placed by the grade chairs' door that the students can put their items in each morning. The grade with the most items for the week will receive a treat! We appreciate your support in helping our school make a difference! in our

community.

Monday, October 26: These Paws don't touch Drugs! Bring items to donate to a pet in need living at a pet shelter

Tuesday, October 27: Hugs not Drugs!
Bring toys/stuffed animals for local shelter
Wednesday, October 28: Sock it to Drugs!
Bring new packs of socks to provide to a local shelter.

Thursday, October 29: Give Drugs the Boot! Donate a few pairs of shoes you no longer want to a local shelter

Friday, October 30: We "Can" Say No to Drugs!
Bring canned foods for Ever Reaching
Community Outreach in Pelahatchie, MS

### Rankin County School District Virtual/Digital Reading Fair COMING SOON!!!

We are excited to announce that plans are being made for our new, innovative, and safe approach to the 2020/2021 Reading Fair at each school.

The Reading Fair will feature digital presentations only. Storyboards will not be turned into schools this year. Instead, students will submit their information digitally which will allow students to present their storyboard by means of Flip Grid.

Stay tuned for more information

coming in October.

As Mrs. Therrell receives more information about the Reading Fair, she will be sending home an interest letter to families and discussing with classes at school. We are excited to see what our PES readers bring to this new approach to the Reading Fair.

## Fall Parties Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> I:40 p.m.

We love celebrating special holidays with our students through class parties and appreciate the support our families have shown in the past to make our students' parties successful and fun, but in order to keep our students safe this school year, NO parents/guests will be allowed.

- You may send in plates, napkins, and pre-packaged snacks and drinks for the class.
- NO homemade items will be allowed.
- Students may wear school appropriate costumes. NO scary costumes will be allowed.



### PTO Praises & News

- Thanks to our generous PTO, our PBIS team is able to treat our Of the Month Club each month to not only special certificates, but also great rewards! Our Teacher and Staff of the Month each receive a \$10 gift card to The Old Home Place restaurant in Puckett. Our Students of the Month each get a treat cup filled with goodies, as well.
- PTO recently treated each classroom teacher to a \$50 gift certificate to better help teachers prepare for effective sanitation and important needs in their classrooms.
- Our campus is looking beautiful thanks to our PTO's collaboration with Rivers Greenhouse and Garden in purchasing plants for our outdoor pots.
- Look for more information about our exciting *Cash for the Pack* fundraiser coming home soon! With money raised, our PTO can continue to do great things for our teachers and students!
- If you haven't already joined the PTO, it's never too late! Please let the office know if you need a new form to be sent home.

### **Important Dates**

October 2<sup>nd</sup>: Spirit Dress Day: Wear Neon.

October 5th: Flu shot opportunity at school

October 8th: Spirit Dress Day: Pink Out

October 12th: School Holiday

October 15th: Report cards will be sent out.

October 16th: Spirit Dress Day: Dress like a senior citizen.

October 21st: National SAVE Day

October 23<sup>rd</sup>: Bullying Posters are due. Spirit Dress Day: Dynamic Duos and Trios

October 25th-31st: National Read Aloud to a Child Week

October 26th-30th: Red Ribbon Week

October 28th: School Pictures

October 30th: Fall Parties I:40 p.m. Spirit Dress Day: Wear pajamas OR wear your school appropriate Halloween costumes for Fall Party Day!

