



P.E.N. Report

Puckett Elementary News



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Happy New Year!

On behalf of all administration, teachers, and staff at Puckett Elementary, we want to say a big "THANK YOU" to our amazing PTO who treated us so well before the holidays. They hosted a BBQ luncheon complete with amazing door prizes. They also gave each faculty/staff member a Wal-Mart gift card which really came in handy at Christmas time. Thank you for your generosity in helping us all feel MERRY and BRIGHT before the holidays.

★ Of the Month Club ★

Teacher of the Month:

Mrs. Dotson

Speech Therapist

Staff of the Month:

Mrs. Evelyn Puckett

Cafeteria Worker

Students of the Month:

Character Trait: Knowledge

Preschool: Caroline Smith

Kindergarten: LJ Vick

1st Grade: Audrianna Englebert

2nd Grade: Brady Shivers

3rd Grade: Kylie Sullivan

4th Grade: Jayce Bragg

5th Grade: Kylee Edwards

6th Grade: Ajustice Davis

Random Acts of

Kindness Recipient:

Brooke Shivers, 5th Grade



Our PES Reading Fair is quickly approaching!

We are excited to announce our 2020-2021 Virtual/Digital Reading Fair date has been set! Our students have discussed the Reading Fair during library lessons and are encouraged to discuss this optional at-home reading project with their families.

The Reading Fair is a great way to model a love for reading from home in that each child has an opportunity to read and bring a favorite book to life for their audience through their writing and artistic creations.

Due to safety this year, RCSD does not permit any physical Reading Fair storyboards being turned in at schools.

Students will choose ONE of the following choices after reading their favorite book:

1. Create a storyboard with required story elements and tell about their creation through a video that will be uploaded to Flipgrid.
2. Create a Google Slide presentation with required story elements that will be audio/screenshared using Flipgrid.

*A PES Google Classroom has been set up for participants which houses Reading Fair guidelines, example storyboard videos, example Google slide screenshares, tutorials, and helpful tools to guide you along the way.

Google Classroom Code: [gcyf5ps](#)

All Reading Fair projects are due by February 25th.

Email Mrs. Therrell with any questions: lauren.therrell@rcsd.ms





New Year, New Praises



We had many important events take place before the holidays and we want to congratulate a few groups that really stood out to us for their leadership.

- We held our school's Spelling Bee before the holidays, and we are so proud of ALL the participants. Anna Chamblee Goodwin earned 1st place, and Lila Grace Murphy earned 2nd place. Both girls will advance to the District Spelling Bee in February. We will be rooting for you both!
- We held our Beta Club Induction ceremony for 5th and 6th grade students before the holidays. We are so proud of the following students who are members of our Beta Club because of their high academic success: Leighton Goodwin, Joshua Grice, Jace Mohr, Lila Grace Murphy, Kyleigh Steverson, Brad Taylor, Brayden Tullos, Kooper Welch, Marley Wilson, Levi Addy, Lawson Davis, Travis Englebert, Anna Chamblee Goodwin, Claire Hanks, Rilee Nan James, Avery Mohr, Braylon Rials, Aiden Thompson, and Keely Thornton.
 - Beta Club Officers: President: Avery Mohr, Vice President: Anna Chamblee Goodwin, Secretary: Keely Thornton, Treasurer: Aiden Thompson, Reporter: Levi Addy, and 5th Grade Representative: Leighton Goodwin.
- Mrs. Jennings was named our 2020-2021 Teacher of the Year. She teaches 3rd grade Language Arts and strives daily to plan effective lessons that engage her students. Her students are always active in their learning, and she and her students often delve deeper than the surface and use technology as a creative way of sharing information and proving their understanding. We are so proud of you, Mrs. Jennings!

Important Reminders

- Each Wednesday will be our Early Dismissal Day. We want to thank all families for your cooperation and flexibility with this change. Our first early dismissal ran smoothly thanks to all of you. Dismissal time will be 1:10 p.m. each Wednesday afternoon. Our teachers are thankful for this additional planning time on Wednesday afternoons.
- Please continue encouraging your child to come to school with their mask on properly and to know the importance of washing and sanitizing his/her hands throughout the day.
Please continue sending a labeled water bottle to school with your child each day. Students are not permitted to use the water fountains this year due to safety, but they have multiple opportunities to visit our water bottle fill up stations to ensure they have plenty of water throughout the day.
- Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the USDA has extended free meal waivers for all students through May 2021. Meals are FREE for all RCSD students. ☺



Important Dates

- January 4th: Teacher Professional Development/Student Holiday
- January 5th: Teachers & students return to school.
- January 7th: Report cards will be sent out electronically.
- January 18th: Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
- January 18th-March 12th: Preschool Registration
- February 25th: Reading Fair Virtual/Digital projects are due.

