

# Marie Roberts-Caney

## Redskin NEWS

September 2016

### Principal's Message

I would like to thank all of our students, school staff, parents and community for getting this school year off to a great start. Everyone seems to be focused on helping our students achieve at a high level.

The morning drop off has been going really smooth. I am glad that our parents and guardians understand that dropping their kids off at the office is a safety issue. The students are also learning a lot of independence by coming in on their own.

I would like to congratulate all of our students who participated in the academic bowl at the Honey Festival. We had several students win or place in the countywide competition. I would also like to congratulate our history team on their second place finish in the inaugural history bowl.

I want to encourage all parents and guardians to become active in your child's learning. Ask them what they are learning at school and help them with struggles. If you make their education important to you, they will make it important to them. School staff is always here to help with your child's education any way they can. Let's work together to make this school year great!!!

### Calendar of Events

- Sept. 13 Breathitt Co. Library visit to preschool
- Sept. 14 4-H Pet Show at Tractor Supply (ages 3-18)
- Sept. 20 High Attendance Day (everyone come)
- Sept. 21 School Smiles Dental Visit
- Sept 23 School Picture Day  
School Smiles Dental Visit
- Sept. 27 Youth Resources Day (grades 5 & 6)
- Sept. 28 Pumpkin Day at Quicksand (preschool)

### What is MAP Testing and Why is it Important?

MAP is an assessment used at MRC to determine the level of each student in Math, Reading and Language Arts. This information is used to provide students with any help they may need. In the spring, the test is given to show students how much growth they have had in each subject.

## September is Attendance Awareness Month!

### Is good attendance in kindergarten really that important?

**YES IT IS!!!** Kindergarten is critical for future learning. Your child will be learning important skills that will "set the course" for his or her school success!

Just look at these facts:

**Fact:** Missing school is stressful for children since they must learn what they missed, and also what is being taught that day. It can put them in an academic hole that they cannot climb out of.

**Ability to learn-** children who are absent too much (more than 10% of the time, or 18 days in a full school year) do less well in first grade. They perform much more poorly in Reading, Math and General Knowledge.

**Fact:** One in ten kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade students miss a month of school during the school year when all their absences are added up. That is critical learning being missed. Children who do not learn the building blocks and basic skill in the early grades must work much harder to stay afloat as they go on. Many never catch up.

**Fact:** Chronic absence is the single strongest predictor of dropping out of school before graduation. Students who drop out of school are much more likely to be poor, unemployed, have substance abuse problems, be teen parents, and be involved with the law.

### Don't let this happen to your child!

[www.attendanceworks.org](http://www.attendanceworks.org)

Report Cards will be sent  
home on Thursday,  
September 15<sup>th</sup>

School Pictures will be  
taken on Friday, September  
23<sup>rd</sup> beginning at 8:30 A.M.

### Academic Showcase & History Bowl



**Academic Showcase Participants**  
 Ivan Valencia, Kylan Combs, Haley Bowling, Chloe Mullins, Allie Mann, Madi Strong, Addison Hughes, Kannan Lovins, Jerrica Neace, Emily Feltner, Jenna Strong, Johnny Radar, James Mann, Hannah Turner, Hannah M. Turner, Caden Bowling, Kory Combs, Riley Bush, Victoria Wells and willie Wagers (not pictured)

**MRC History Bowl Team**  
 Mrs. Taulbee, Riley Bush, Jenna Strong, Kory Strong, Caden Bowling and Wesley Blanton.

### School Bus Safety



### Sports News

#### Girls Basketball

- September 13<sup>th</sup> LBJ-Gold @ MRC
- September 15<sup>th</sup> MRC @ H-T
- September 20<sup>th</sup> LBJ-Blue @ MRC
- September 22<sup>nd</sup> MRC @ LBJ-Gold
- September 27<sup>th</sup> H.T. @ MRC
- September 29<sup>th</sup> MRC @ LBJ-Blue



BHS will be hosting play days on September 10<sup>th</sup> & October 1<sup>st</sup>. The county semi-finals will be on October 6<sup>th</sup>. The championship game will be on October 11<sup>th</sup>.



**2015-16 MRC Site Based Decision Making Council**

Jason Fugate –Principal	Mary Kay Caudill – Teacher
Marlene Hamilton –Teacher	Chris Banks –Parent
Tammy Keene – Teacher	Melissa Mann -Parent