



# The Pack Print

## December Issue



The gift of  
laughter!

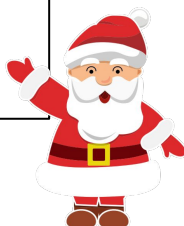
Who is Santa's  
favorite singer?  
Elf-is Presley



How can you tell  
Santa is real?  
You can always  
sense his  
Presents.



What do you call  
Santa Claus when  
he stops moving?  
Santa Pause.



## Dates

- December 2nd - Student Council Field Trip
- December 9th - Beta Club Induction
- December 12th- School Spelling Bee
- December 15th- First Grade Program 8:30 a.m. and Christmas Family Luncheon for K, 2nd, 4th, 6th grades
- December 16th - 2nd and 5th Grade Field Trip
- December 20th- Party Day and PBIS Big Event
- December 21st - Half Day
- December 22nd - Starts Christmas Break
-  December 25th - Christmas Day
- January 9th - Christmas Break Ends

Try to find all the  
Santas! There are 12.  
Can you find them all?



# December of the Month Club



Teacher of the Month: Mrs. Polk, Kindergarten  
Staff of the Month: Mrs. Taylor, Kindergarten Assistant  
Parent of the Month: Amanda Peak

Trait: Joy- Finding a way to be happy when  
things don't go your way

Pre-K: Kree Rawls

Kindergarten: Ledger Welch and Kambry Stevenson

First grade: KaNyah Craig and Chloe Fletcher

Second grade: Alli Kate Holyfield and Hadley Hughes

Third grade: Harleigh Hopper, Finley Grimes, and Ella Peak

Fourth grade: Ruston Burks, Brooklyn Pilgrim, and Madelyn Boszor

Fifth grade: Jaylen Bailey, Micah Cameron, and Chase Martin

Sixth grade: Hunter Peak, Jonah Purvis, and Suttyn May Therrell

Kindness Recipient: Bryson Boles, 3rd Grader

## Wolf Pack Guest Writers

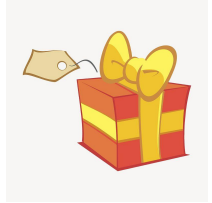
Layten Lewis is writing an amazing article about soccer. He is in 5th grade. Sadie Holyfield is writing to inform us of how to pitch the perfect fastball in softball. She is in 4th grade. Jayce Tullos is writing about his love for basketball. He is in 6th grade. We are proud of these athletes who are stepping up to be writing leaders on campus.





# The Gift of Giving

Fiction Story Written by: Suttyn May Therrell



Emma was sitting around the fire surrounded by her family. She was very happy she had many gifts from her family and friends. She began to think about people who didn't even have food, who didn't have blankets, or even a home to stay in. She wanted to help those people. She used all the money she had and went to a homeless shelter.

She was shocked to see so many people in the shelter. She gave the children toys. She even gave one little girl her favorite teddy bear. The little girl had a tank top and shorts on. Her lips were turning purple. "Hi! My name is Emma. What is your name?" Emma asked her. "Olivia Smith." Emma hugged her and gave her a blanket. Emma gave Olivia's parents blankets and hot cocoa. She gave the elderly a hug and 15 dollars. She left the shelter feeling happier than getting a Nintendo Switch. "Mom, I think I want to visit Olivia tomorrow. I mean NO ONE should be alone on Christmas!" Her mom smiled and agreed.

In the morning, Emma got that Nintendo Switch from Santa she'd been wanting so badly. She imagined hours of Mario Kart and Just Dance time in her future. As she sat there thinking about all the fun she'd have, she slowly realized what she wanted to do.

She asked her parents, "Can we go to the shelter now? I need to show Olivia the Nintendo." Her mom nodded. She was very proud of her daughter. When Emma arrived, she couldn't find Olivia.

Emma asked Olivia's parents where she went. "Oh! You must still be dreaming! She...is....right....here," Olivia's mom looked across the room. "Wait! She-she's gone!" While Emma's mom tried to comfort Mrs. Smith, Emma's blood was pumping. She glanced around the room. Then she saw Olivia's teddy bear. But not Olivia! Emma felt like passing out. Then she felt someone wrap around her waist. When Emma turned around, what she saw, she started crying happy tears. It was Olivia! Because of the tears, her vision was blurry. But she handed Olivia her Nintendo through the tears. "It's yours! I want you to have it. Anyway, what were you doing?" Emma asked her. Olivia just sat there, thinking. "I thought I saw Santa Claus!" Olivia said. Emma ran to the window. She saw a figure that looked like SANTA CLAUS who gave her a big smile and wink. Emma smiled knowing that she had a big part in sharing the gift of giving this year too.



# Junior Sports Spotlight



Our Junior sports spotlight for this month is Jayce Tullos. He's a 6th grade leader on campus. Aside from basketball, he also likes soccer. He enjoys singing karaoke, playing video games, traveling to the mountains, hanging out with friends and family, and fishing.

Q: What is your favorite sport?

A: My favorite sport is basketball.

Q: Why is that your favorite sport?

A: Basketball is my favorite sport because it's fun to play, and I love the sound it makes when you swish it. Awesome!



Q: What position do you play in your sport?

A: I play center because I'm always at the goal, and I'm really tall. I can get the rebounds easier because of my height.

Q: Do you see yourself still playing this sport in high school and/or college?

A: I do see myself playing this sport in the future. Yes, I do see myself playing in high school and maybe college.

Q: When does playing your sport make you mad or frustrated?

A: What makes me mad in basketball is when people block my shots. It just makes me work harder next time though.







## GOAL! We got a Winning Writer!



My love for soccer is really big, and I mean BIG. I started playing soccer in 2019. I was 8. I'm 11 now, and I'm still playing soccer. The materials you need for soccer are shin guards and soccer cleats. The jersey you will get from the coach, and there will be specific colored shorts you will have to wear. We had a maroon jersey, and we had to wear black shorts. Our team sponsor was Farm Bureau. The season is over right now, but when the season comes back, I will definitely play! My team and I won so many games that I can't count. We only lost twice!!! We were good. I only scored two goals, but hey, the other team was good so don't judge. Anyway, I enjoy playing and practicing soccer at home. I practice and play soccer sometimes with my sister. I will also practice and play soccer with my friend when he comes over. I made a lot of new friends playing soccer. Everyone was really nice. I want to continue playing soccer as I get older. I want to encourage other kids my age and younger who don't like soccer to play it and get more interested in it. I mean, I think soccer is a really good sport if you can't tell. Do you?



By: Layten  
Lewis, 5th  
Grader



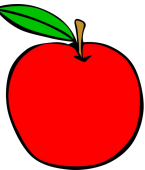


# Can you pitch a fastball?



My name is Sadie Holyfield, and I am going to teach kids how to pitch a softball...not just any pitch but a fastball. First, you have to have the right grip on the ball. You take your four fingers but not your thumb, and you will need to rotate the ball until you see a letter C made with the seam. When you find that, put those four fingers across the C. Next, you step onto the pitching rubber. If you are right handed, you put your right foot on the rubber and left foot behind the rubber. Then, you place both hands in your glove while gripping the ball. Now, you can begin your wind up. Stride as far as you can with your left foot while pushing off the rubber with your right foot. Your arm is going around the circle with your wrist cocked. When your arm comes down to your hip, uncock your wrist and snap the ball at your hip. Then, finish with your fingers pointing up, and it should give you a good strike! So now when you're in a game, you might want to use my advice to be a star pitcher!





# New Staff Spotlight



Our New Staff for this month is Mrs. Josie Holyfield. She is an assistant teacher in 1st grade with Mrs. Pierce.

Q-How do you like working at Puckett?

A-I absolutely love working at Puckett Elementary! The staff and students have made me feel very welcome!

Q-Who/What inspired you to become an assistant teacher here?

A-My children, Jack and Alli Kate, have been my biggest inspiration. They have given me the 'why' behind wanting to make a difference in other children.

Q-What are some goals you have set for yourself as a teacher?

A-My short term goal is to show up everyday prepared with a positive attitude- ready to help our friends learn. My long term goal is to become a teacher.

Q-If you did have one before, what job did you have before working at Puckett?

A-Before working at Puckett Elementary, I worked as a Patient Care Coordinator at The Winning Smile.

Q-How are you adjusting to a new work environment?

A-Working here feels like home! I enjoy the classroom setting, students, and staff. I am thankful to be a part of such a great school.

Q-What are some hobbies you have outside of work?

A-I enjoy spending time with my family, decorating, being creative, cooking, reading, and gardening.





# HELP US HELP THEM!



WHO CAN RAISE THE  
MOST CANS FOR  
FAMILIES IN NEED?

PRIZES: YOU CAN GET A  
KICKBALL TOURNAMENT, HAT  
DAY, PAJAMA DAY, AND ALSO  
ELECTRONIC DAY!



WE RAISED

1,719 cans!  
Awesome Job!



TOP RANKS

Mrs. Martin 172  
Mrs. Weeks 169  
Ms. Williamson 148





# Reader Shout Out

We want to give a shout out to Mr. Pope. He is one of our dedicated readers each month, and he had the idea to make the newspaper more interactive to get readers even more involved. Thanks to his suggestion, we give you our first word search!

How many Christmas words can you find? ❄️



CHRISTMAS  
MRSCLAUS  
NORTHPOLE  
SANTA  
ELVES  
SNOWMAN  
RUDOLPH  
TINSEL  
JACKFROST  
VIXEN  
MISTELTOE  
WREATH  
REINDEER  
STAR  
HOLLYJOLLY

