Who always has a date on Valentines Day? A calendar!



What did one triangle say to the other on Valentine's Day?

You're acute!

# Roll With Maroon

# February's News For You

Happy February! We are fortunate to go to a school where there is so much to LOVE about PES! Thank you to our principals, teachers, and staff who work hard to make our experiences at school ones we will always remember. As for us, as students we have a job to do on campus, as well. February is a great month to remember to show kindness to all those around us. How have you shown friendship and love to others?



Find all 5 hearts!

Bonus

February 17th is a school holiday, and it's important to remember why. It's President's Day! We want to thank all of the presidents who have worked to make our country what it is today.

### President's Day Trivia

1. Who was the first President of the United States?

- 2. What is the first name of President Trump?
- 3. Who was the youngest serving President of the United States?
- 4. If you want to be President, it might help if your name is James. How many Presidents have been named James?

\*Other popular Presidents' names are John (4), William (4), George (3), Andrew (2), and Franklin (2).

5. Who signed the Thanksgiving Proclamation? ANSWERS TO TRIVIA ON READING FAIR PAGE

### January of the Month Martin- Chloe Fletcher

Landfair- Brier Banes

Steverson- Brantley Smith

Pennington-Daxton Holbrook

Polk- Jordan Rawls

Vinson-Kirclyn Warren

Morrow - Robert Adams

Pierce- Paisley Lawson

**Tullos-Georgia Mangum** 

Palmer-Paxton Shaw

Williamson-Wayde Sumrall

Jones-Levi Davis

Byrd-Moses Robinson Mann-Dolly Bishop Williams-Harleigh Hopper Bowen-Jordyn Warrell

**Overby-Libbie Jones** 

Shivers-Langston Tyrone

Smith-Salter Rose Therrell

Spann-Jace Thompson

Holyfield-Anayshia Harris

Weeks-Bailee Taylor

Kindness Recipient: Kade Palmer, 5th Grader

Teacher of the Month: Mrs. Bowen, 6th Grade Teacher

Staff of the Month: Mrs. Ingram, SPED Assistant

Parent of the Month: Mrs. Barrentine. 3rd Grade Parent

Resilience-getting back up when something gets you down



"Unlike toilet paper, my love for you will never run out! Happy Valentine's Day!" Love, Our Newspaper Team (quote by Zaya Fairley)

### Our New Staff Spotlight is...Mrs. Jessie Bush!

- 1. So far, what's your favorite thing about our school? My favorite thing about Puckett Elementary is the sweet faces I get to see everyday!
- 2. Before you came to Puckett Elementary, what did you do? I was a substitute teacher here which helped make it such an easy decision when deciding on coming here full time!
- **3.** What is one thing you hope to achieve during your time at Puckett Elementary? To continue being a positive role model and encouraging students every day to be the best version of themselves.

Favorites:

Food - Steak Drink - Coke

Movie - Comedy Movies





### **Mystery Staff**

### Please make your guesses and turn them into the Mystery Staff Box in library by Friday, February 21st.

- 1. What's a nickname people have called you through the years? Buf
- 2. When you were a kid like us, what was your favorite thing to do? Play outside
- 3. What's your favorite song? It changes, but right now it's "I'm Gonna Love You!"
- 4. What's your favorite restaurant? Amerigo
- 5. What's your favorite color? Green
- 6. What's your favorite tv show or movie? The Office
- 7. What's your favorite book? <u>Redeeming Love</u>
- 8. If you weren't a teacher, what would another dream job for you be? Caterer/Party planner
- 9. When you're not at school, what are some hobbies you enjoy doing? Reading, Spending time with my family, Watching my kids play sports
- 10. If you could be any famous person in the world, who would you be and why? Dolly Parton, of course!







### Student Teacher Spotlight: Mrs. Holyfield

We are so proud of Mrs. Josie Holyfield for furthering her education to become a certified teacher. She's doing her student teaching this semester with her 1st grade class in Mrs. Pierce's classroom. We wanted to know a little bit more about her experience and her plans for the future.

#### Tell us about your student teaching experience so far. What are challenges and rewards?

My student-teaching experience has been excellent. Mrs. Pierce has done a phenomenal job guiding me in planning, grading, and understanding processes. The biggest challenge so far has been balancing schoolwork and life. I am fully present at school; however, when I leave the classroom, I still have responsibilities and duties to do at home while ensuring my personal family's needs are met. The reward of student teaching is that I am learning to be the teacher I want to become in the classroom. I am developing a sense of what works and what does not. I am learning how to connect with my students, understand their perspectives, and witness their growth. Seeing students grasp a concept I teach reminds me that I am growing as a teacher and I am right where I need to be.

#### What is your favorite subject to teach and why?

My favorite subject to teach is English because learning to read is the foundation for all other learning. I especially enjoy teaching phonics because it allows me to see students actively thinking about and applying the skills they have learned which is incredibly rewarding.

## In the future, what would be your favorite grade level to teach and why? If I could pick a grade to teach, it would be Kindergarten because I believe I could use my creativity and passion for education to help students develop foundational skills. My classroom would reflect a welcoming environment where students could begin their educational journey with confidence and excitement.

### When you think about having your own classroom in the future, what are you most

**excited about?** When I think about having my very own classroom, I am most excited about watching everything that I have learned while student teaching and working as an assistant come to life. I cannot wait to create my own space to provide an encouraging learning environment for my students and watch the growth process occur. Learning is growing!

What is one thing you have learned from Mrs. Pierce that you will take into your own teaching in your own classroom? I have learned a lot from Mrs. Pierce. One skill I will take with me is her exceptional classroom management. Mrs. Pierce works hard to provide a consistent environment to her students, from her schedule to her academic practices. I will bring this same level of consistency into my classroom. When students know what to expect, they can focus on their learning environment.



### Student Teacher Spotlight: Mrs. Little

We are so proud of Mrs. Mallory Little for furthering her education to become a certified teacher. She's doing her student teaching this semester with her 1st grade class in Mrs. Tullos' classroom. We wanted to know a little bit more about her experience and her plans for the future.

Tell us about your student teaching experience so far. What are challenges and rewards? I have thoroughly enjoyed my student teaching experience. It has been so rewarding to see my students learn and grow every day. The most challenging part of student teaching has been learning how to balance family, work, and school. With the help of Mrs. Tullos, I am learning how to become the teacher I strive to be in my future classroom and to help my students learn, grow, and be successful.

### What is your favorite subject to teach and why?

My favorite subject to teach so far is English. I especially enjoy teaching our CKLA unit. I love being able to see our students learn new things, and this unit allows our students to learn about science, social studies, and literature, as well as build on their foundational skills such as vocabulary and communication.

### In the future, what would be your favorite grade level to teach and why?

So far, I have been in the first grade as an assistant and very much enjoy it. I enjoy this age group so much because they are still little, but they're learning their independence.

### When you think about having your own classroom in the future, what are you

most excited about? When I think about having my future classroom, I am most excited about being able to see my students learn and grow. I cannot wait to apply what I have learned in my experience as an assistant and a student teacher in my own classroom and be able to watch my students learn and prosper.

### What is one thing you have learned from Mrs. Tullos that you will take

into your own teaching in your own classroom? There are many things I have learned from Mrs. Tullos during my time as her assistant. One skill I will take into my own classroom is Mrs. Tullos' ability to make learning engaging for her students each and every day. Mrs. Tullos has a way to make her students always feel safe and welcome, and I strive to bring that feeling into my own classroom. I've learned from Mrs. Tullos when our students feel safe they are able to be actively engaged and learn to the best of their abilities.



Congrats to Kenedy McEwen and Dani Blair Stevens on making it to the RCSD District Spelling Bee!







PES is very proud of these two girls for representing our school at the RCSD Spelling Bee in Pearl recently. Kenedy and Dani Blair worked SUPER hard to get to this point by studying challenging words. We are proud of their hard work and dedication and for spelling their little hearts out! We are so proud of all of our 3rd-6th Grade Honor Roll students, and we can't wait to see who else will get added to the list for the next 9 week period. We know all of our students are working hard!

#### Puckett Elementary 2nd 9 Weeks Honor Roll

Asah Ainsworth Jace Alford Briar Anderson Skylar Bacon **Claire Bain** Emory Barrentine **Evie Black** Madelyn Boszor **Caylee Bradley** Drake Brown **Ruston Burks** Jameson Carroll Madison Caves Sophia Charczenko Macy Claire Chatham Lila Cole **Finley Collins Joseph Cothern** Tatum Donaldson Kodi Earls Khylin Edwards **Cash Ellington** Layla Etheridge Zaya Fairley Kaige Graham Samuel Gravitt Jack Green James Hanks **Chance Harpole** Hank Harris Jordan Harrist

**Tyler Haves Heath Henderson Karlie Hodges** Lola Holland Sadie Holyfield Harleigh Hopper **Hadley Hughes Holly Hughes** Kent Hughes Avie Mae Jones **Libbie Jones** Emma Kellum Hadley Kelly Jaecee Kennedy Brenner Lafferty Isaiah Latham Callie Lauderdale Olivia Ledbetter **Carmen Magee Huston Mangum** Levi Mangum Olivia Mann Logan Martin Maddyx Martin Millie Martin Kenedy McEwen

#### Puckett Elementary 2nd 9 Weeks Honor Roll

**Avery Mckinley Charley Grace Miller Ellis Mitchener** Wesley Mozingo Dallas Cole Murphy Clara Nelson **Courtney Nelson** Landon Orr Hudson Overby Kade Palmer Holden Parkman Joy Anna Partridge Ella Peak **Kaislee Pruitt** Lucie Rials Liam Rivers Mallory Ruth **Ethan Searcy Brady Shivers Brennan Shows Timothy Smith Caroline Smith Gavin Smith** Jackson Smith **Maggie Smith Isabella Solis Zoey Stafford** Dani Blair Stevens

Kamryn Strack **Bailee Taylor** Ben Taylor Morgan Taylor **Hazle Teasley** Salter Rose Therrell Stella Clay Therrell Evan Thomas Addison Thompson Annabeth Thompson Jace Thompson Khlia Thompson **Davis Tyrone** LJ Vick Levi Wadsworth Jordyn Warrell Angel Warren Kaygan Weghorst **Bryleigh Westbrook** Adelyn Wigginton **Emma Rose Williams Dyson Wilson** Mary Falon Wilson Paislee Windham **Owen Wolken** 

Congratulations to Clara Nelson! -3rd Place Bullying Poster Contest at the District Level Competition

We want to give a shout out to Clara Nelson in 4th grade who won 3rd place in the bullying poster contest at the RCSD District Competition. As you can see, making this poster required lots of creativity, hard work, and patience to make it this great. Clara, thanks for leading and reminding us of the importance of standing against bullying.



PUCKETT ELEMENTARY READING FAIR

### We are so proud to have so many Reading Fair participants!

All storyboards/ projects are due Friday, February 21st. Judging will take place on Monday, February 24th. \*Photographs and announcements will be made this day.\*

#### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

 CHOOSE A BOOK YOU LOVE THAT YOU WILL ENJOY READING. YOUR JOB IS TO BRING THAT BOOK TO LIFE WITH YOUR STORYBOARD CREATION.
USE YOUR SECTION (FICTION OR NONFICTION) IN THE READING FAIR

GUIDELINES PACKET TO ENSURE ALL WRITTEN COMPONENTS ARE EVIDENT ON YOUR STORYBOARD.

- BE CREATIVE! REMEMBER WE HAVE GREAT STORYBOARD EXAMPLES ON OUR WEBPAGE: <u>HTTPS://PUE.RCSD.MS/LIBRARY/READING-FAIR</u>
- PLEASE EMAIL MRS. THERRELL WITH ANY QUESTIONS, IDEAS, OR CONCERNS. SHE IS HERE TO HELP YOU ALONG THE WAY:
  LAUREN.THERRELL@RCSD.MS

Trivia Answers Trivia Answers 2.Donald 3.Theodore Roosevelt (42) 4. 6 5.Abraham Lincoln 5.Abraham Lincoln

### Mississippi Ag Facts of the Month: Poultry/Eggs

Thanks to Mrs. Pennington and Mrs. Bush's kindergarteners for sharing their agriculture knowledge with us another month.

- Poultry is the #1 commodity for Mississippi.
- Only fertile eggs will grow a baby chick. The eggs at the grocery store are not fertile.
- Roosters crow when they're scared, or in the morning to say, "Rise And Shine!"
- Chickens dream when they sleep. What do you think they dream about?
- The spur is what the roosters use to protect themselves.
- Pigs and chickens don't sweat. Unlike pigs, chickens roll in the dirt to clean and maintain their feathers, not to cool off; they pant to cool off.
- There are more chickens on Earth than humans! Can you believe it?
- Chickens are low flyers because they are too heavy.
- Chickens roll in the dirt to keep cool.
- Chickens can see really well. They see more colors than humans can!
- Chickens are the closest relatives to the Tyrannosaurus Rex. How cool!







Here's a chicken joke for you! "Why did the chicken cross the road?" "Beak-cause" he heard PES is the best school to visit!





January 21st-February 21st	Pre-K Registration Application Process
January 31st	Kindergarten Music Program 8:30 a.m.
February 4th	Venture Field Trip
February 5th	Progress Reports
February 10th	6th grade High School Tour and meeting during Activity Time 9:35-10:15
February 11th	Curious George & Public Library Visit in the auditorium for Pre-K through 2nd Grades 1:30 p.m. & Sixth Grade Field Trip
February 13th	6th Grade Music Program at 8:30 in the auditorium
February 14th	Valentine Parties Pre-K-2nd Grades-12:45-1:15 p.m. and 3rd-6th Grades -1:30-2:00 p.m.
February 17th	Presidents' Day / School Holiday
February 19th	5th Grade Science Benchmark
February 20th	3rd-6th Grade Math Benchmark
February 21st	Reading Fair storyboards are due for set up. Elementary Beauty and Beau will be at 5:30 p.m.
February 24th	Reading Fair storyboards will be judged. Announcements and photographs will be taken.
February 25th	3rd-6th Grade Reading Benchmark
February 26th	3rd-6th Grade Writing Benchmark
February 27th-28th	Benchmark-Make-up testing
February 28th	4th Grade Program at 8:30 a.m. in the auditorium
March 3rd-7th	Scholastic Book Fair -Mark your calendars for a week of reading fun! More details coming soon.