



ISSUE 1

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CALHOUN LITTLE BRAVES

newsletter

A Note from Mrs. Sumler

Hello Little Braves and Parents,

Our school year has been off to a great start! As we move through the school year, I want to take a moment to celebrate the hard work and growth we've seen across our classrooms. Our students are showing incredible progress, not only academically but also in their confidence, creativity, and kindness toward one another.

I am especially proud of our teachers and staff who continue to create engaging lessons and nurturing learning environments every day. Together, we are building a school community where every child feels valued and supported.

As we look ahead, let's continue working hand in hand to keep our students motivated. Your involvement- whether through volunteering, attending events, or encouraging learning at home- makes a lasting difference.

Warm Regards,
Mrs. Sumler



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Important Dates

Nov. 11th:

Veteran's Day (no school)

Nov. 12th:

Progress Reports go home

Nov. 17-20:

Book Fair in the Library

Nov. 19th:

Thanksgiving Lunch for Pre-K and 2nd Grade

Nov. 20th:

Thanksgiving Lunch for K and 1st Grade

Nov. 21st-28th:

Thanksgiving Break

Perfectly Perfect in Pre-K



Our Pre K “babies” have successfully rolled through our first nine weeks of “real” school! We have rocked letters A, B, E, M, P, S, and T with their sounds. We are loving our weekly visits to the library, computer lab, music, and counselor. Most have learned their numbers and school rules! Pre k has settled into our new curriculum of Three Cheers with lots of good stories, with units like All about Me, Families, Community Helpers, Being Healthy. During our Community Helper unit, we had visits from a Dentist, Firefighters, Police Officer, and a Garbage Hauler.

Pre K is also doing great with our Heggerty sounds and rhyming words and progressing in Lexia each week! We took our First school field trip to Indian Village and Johnny’s Pizza! We had so much fun and can’t wait for the next field trip in December.

–PreK Teachers

(Mrs. Brittnee, Mrs. Mayes, Mrs. Thomas, and Mrs. Carol)



Cool in Kindergarten

We have had an amazing first quarter in Kindergarten! Our “Little Braves” are hard at work learning to follow multi-step directions, write, listen for key details in stories, segment and blend 2 and 3 sounds into words. Some other hallmarks our Kinders have already accomplished include counting orally to 30, writing our first name and numbers 1-10, and we can read several new words!

As we move on to another great quarter, we have plenty to look forward to. With November, comes our Thanksgiving lunch with family on Nov. 20th. We have so much to be thankful for at CES! November also brings in colder weather. **Kindergarten teachers would like to ask parents and guardians to please label your child’s jackets with their first and last name.** You would not believe how many lost jackets go unclaimed every year simply because they aren’t labeled.

Our Little Braves have become accustomed to our school and classroom procedures already and we could not be more proud of them! This school year is off to a great start and we know this would not be possible without the help and support of you at home! We would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We are looking forward to a truly spectacular year!

–Kindergarten Teachers

(Ms. Branch, Mrs. McMillan, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Hopfinger, Mrs. Staples)



Fabulous in First

First grade is in full swing and our 'little braves' are shining bright! In Reading, we have read Fables, Fairy Tales & Folktales, learned about the human body, and have just begun the Early World Civilizations. We are fine tuning our blending and segmenting skills, practicing our sentence writing, adding and subtracting in word problems, and as always, practicing our tricky words and math facts.

We are consistently practicing our reading with our green and yellow homework sheets! We are so excited to have our Read With Me Cards to complete each 9 weeks by reading 25 books! This is a great way to boost student reading (and listening!) skills and who doesn't love a good bedtime story!

We have started checking out books in the library and are beginning to learn how to take AR tests to earn AR points! It is an exciting time in first grade and we are just getting started!

-First Grade Teachers

(Ms. Houston, Mrs. Nettles, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Boykin)



Sensational in Second

Wow! This first quarter has been a world wind. We started off the year with Fairy Tales and Folk Tales and ended up traveling through several different ancient civilizations for reading. Second grade had a Chinese Day and had the Olympic games to finish out our units. We are expanding our knowledge with our phonograms, reading stories about the Cat Bandit and Bedtime Tales, working on RACE writing, and so much more in skills.

For math, we have worked with graphing, word problems, and finding our friend the "10". As we proceed into this next quarter, we will continue working on reading fluently, expanding our knowledge of American history both in Knowledge and Social Studies, and learning new words in spelling. As mathematicians, we will be adding and subtraction larger numbers.

We would like to say thank you . We know that Second grade is a big change, however the students are stepping up to the plate.

-Second Grade Teachers

(Mrs. Clingen, Ms. Gaston, Mrs. Auttonberry, Mrs. Barnes, Ms. Thomas, Mrs. Parker)



Mrs. Whitlock's Library Corner



Parents, please review the information inside your child's library folder. There is a website that allows you to see how your child is doing in AR. Each student is expected to earn at least 10 points per nine-weeks. Over 100 second graders were rewarded with cupcakes and ice-cream for attaining their AR goal for the first nine-weeks.

The first graders began checking out books the second nine-weeks. The upcoming Scholastic Book Fair is scheduled for November 17th-21st. Please help support our library and school with your purchases. Thank you!

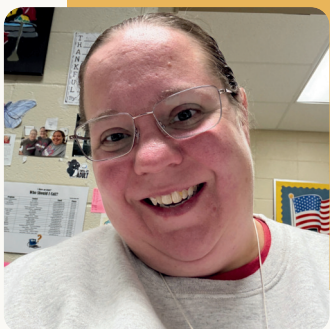


Mrs. DeSoto's Tech Minute

Our Pre-K students have been working real hard with their Lexia and learning how to get on PBS KIDS.

Our Kindergarten has been working on Typing Club-Digital Citizenship and getting on PBS KIDS.

Our 1st grade has been working on Typing Club earning their Digital Citizenship. Our 2nd grade has been also working on Typing Club earning their Digital Citizenship.



Calhoun Elementary

1st Nine Weeks Star Students

Pre-K/K



1st Grade

2nd Grade





It's always a great day
when I am learning with
you!





Thank You for making
Our
2025 Fall Festival
a
Success!

