



PIRATE TREASURES



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Families,

Thank you for a great start to our school year! We truly appreciate your continued support. I look forward to seeing the great things our students will accomplish this year.

Please continue to support your child with high expectations for good behavior, providing a routine time for studying, and encouraging independent reading. Encourage your student to do his/her best during the coming months.

Our student goals for the First Nine Weeks are:

- **Classroom Discipline:** Students should have no more than 2 card flips during the first nine weeks.
- **Bus Discipline:** Students cannot have any Bus Discipline Referrals during the first nine weeks.
- **Attendance--**Students should have no more than one unexcused absence during the first nine weeks.
- **Math iReady:** Students must have an average of 80% or above on iReady lessons in Math.
- **ELA iReady:** Students must have an average of 80% or above on iReady lessons in ELA.

Students who meet at least 4 of the 5 goals listed above will receive an incentive at the end of the first nine weeks.

Thanks again for your continued support!

Kim Scutch, Principal

WELCOME OUR NEW STAFF



Left to right: Ms. Brittany Ware, Coach Nolan Owens, Ms. Caitlyn Grant, Mr. Brian Quick, and Mrs. Dana Grissom

September Important Dates

September 2nd

Hearing/Vision Screening (5th grade)

September 3rd

1st 9 Weeks Progress Reports Issued

September 4th

Chocolate Fundraiser ends;

September 7th

Labor Day Holiday (no school)

September 15th

School/Class Pictures

September 25th

September Student of the Month
Celebration



LIBRARY

Mrs. Harrell



Students were excited to begin checking out library books last month! All classes are scheduled to come to the library once a week for 40 minutes to check out books. Each week, the students have lessons that connect to the standards they are learning in their ELA classes or help them become more knowledgeable about the books and authors in our school Library. Each student has been given an AR goal of 10 points for 1st 9 weeks, and students will receive a prize when they reach their goal.

I look forward to a fun and exciting year of reading, learning, and exploring books with your student!

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Coach Owens



I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know your child during this first month of school. September will be jam-packed with fun challenges and activities. Students will begin the month learning the fundamentals of basketball, and they will get to enjoy our inflatable obstacle course later in the month.

Parents, please help your student remember to wear tennis shoes, wear shorts under dresses/skirts, and bring a water bottle on their P.E. day!!



ART

Ms. Creighton



During Art classes, we are exploring different materials and the different ways they can be used to create art. Students created donuts using different crayon techniques during August. During September, students will learn how to use chalk pastels.

Students may purchase pencils, erasers, pens, bookmarks, and more from The Pencil Store during their weekly Art class. Items range from \$.25 to \$2.50.

REMINDER: Please download the BoxTops app on your phone and scan your grocery receipts! This gives money to our school to help buy fun art supplies for our students! Also, remember to send pencil store money with your student on Art day!

COMPUTER

Ms. Gray



I look forward to another exciting year teaching Computer Science to the students at Pearl Upper! I will be introducing and reviewing the fundamentals of computer science based on the Mississippi Department of Education standards during our lessons each week.

In preparation for this school year, please encourage your student to practice their typing lessons at home in addition to their allotted 30 minutes in the classroom.



MUSIC

Mrs. Berger



Students have been busy learning new things in the music room!

Fourth grade students will begin learning to play the ukulele in September. Our PUE music department owns enough ukuleles for each student to play one during music class, so students do not need to bring instruments from home. Our goal is to learn three basic chords on ukulele this month!

Along with ukulele review, 5th grade students will begin learning music for the Christmas program, which will be performed on December 10th. This performance will be held in the auditorium at Pearl High School. Permission forms for this performance will be sent home with signed papers the second week of September. This form plus money for your student's t-shirt need to be returned no later than September 18th.

CONGRATULATIONS

*August Teacher of the
Month*

Mrs. Wendie Gartman



A NOTE FROM THE NURSE

Nurse Robyn



A Note from NURSE ROBYN

Supporting Healthy and Empowered Learners

4th & 5th grade is a big step toward **independence!**

This year, we'll be encouraging students to:

- **Speak up** when they don't feel well
- **Recognize** what their bodies are telling them
- **Ask for help** when they need it
- **Take responsibility** for their health and well-being

A Little Less **Calling Home**

As students become more independent, I may not call or text home for every minor nurse visit. When appropriate, students will be encouraged to handle simple needs with guidance and practice advocating for themselves.

But don't worry— **I'll always reach out when it matters!**

I will contact you about:

- Significant illness or injury
- When your child needs to go home
- Medication or allergy concerns
- Anything that requires your attention

Thank you for partnering with me
as we help your child grow!