

Ringgold Elementary School South
Weekly Update
9-18-26

Mr. Berry-Principal

Principal's Message:

Hello R-E-S-S Community,

As we continue our positive direction at R-E-S-S, we wanted to take time to highlight some of the non-traditional learning opportunities our students are doing in their classrooms. At our younger grade levels, students are participating in "learning centers", which utilize small groups and rotating learning stations to help promote student learning and engagement. In our older grades, students are participating in hands-on learning projects to show understanding of concepts related to reading, math, and writing. We appreciate the efforts of both our teachers and students in welcoming these fun, creative learning approaches.

We also would like to celebrate the success of our annual PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention and Support) assembly that took place last week. Students participated in a number of collaborative activities that reiterated our RAMS (Respectful, Accountable, Mindful, and Safe) behavioral expectations, while reviewing our school-wide positive behavior incentives. A huge thank you to our PBIS team for their planning and work in making this a great experience for our students.

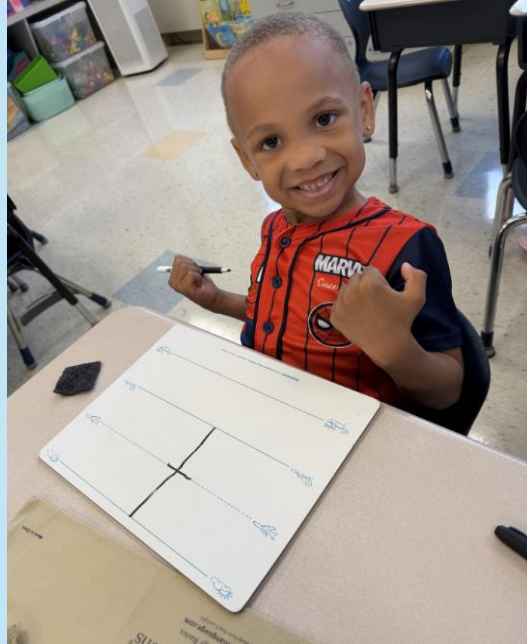
As always, we appreciate your continued support and collaboration!

Sincerely,

R-E-S-S Administration and Staff

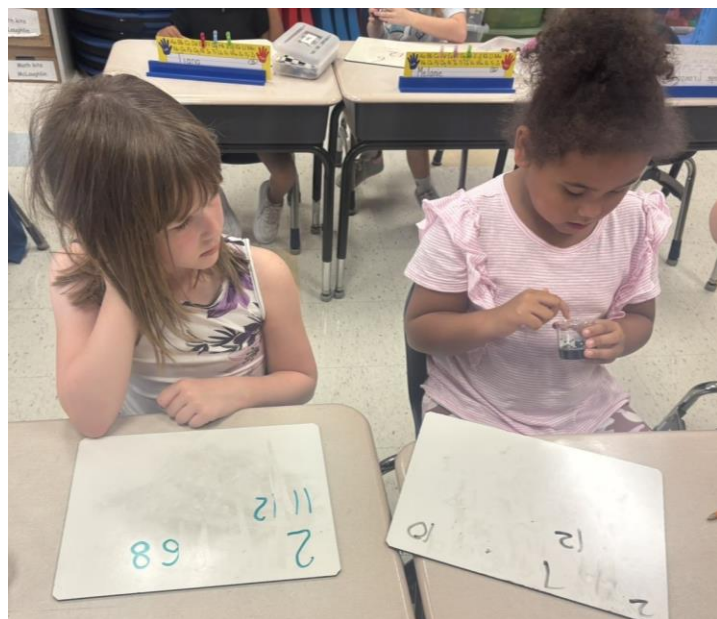


Kindergarten



Kindergarten has started our phonics program Foundations. We have been working on writing on the lines and the letter t. Kindergarten also has been doing learning centers to practice fine motor skills, letters, and numbers. We are having so much fun!





First Grade

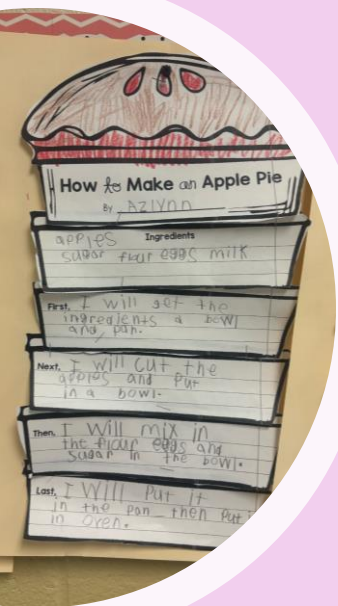
Our first graders have been busy learning in centers and playing math games with partners. Some classrooms have been exploring the life cycle of a caterpillar as it transforms into a beautiful butterfly!



Second Grade

We had a good time reviewing our expectations and playing games at our PBIS assembly. Second grade won the human knot competition!

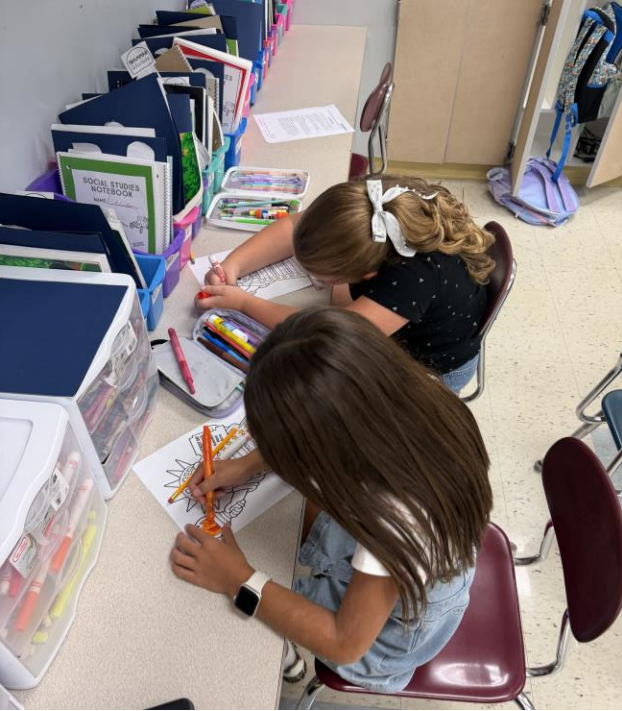




Third Grade

Third grade had a great week! Students had the opportunity to participate in fun team activities during our PBIS assembly and did a wonderful job working together. In Miss McLay's class, students have been working hard on chronological order and are demonstrating this skill through their apple pie writing. In Mrs. Wichterman's class, students are reading about Gary the Dreamer and practicing putting events in chronological order.





Fourth Grade

Fourth graders are growing into confident learners as they take assessments, build new skills, and explore exciting ideas every day. Through reading, problem-solving, hands-on projects, and discovery, they are learning that school is a place where curiosity leads to amazing new things.



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Congratulations to the
Ringgold Rams U10 Travel
Soccer Team for winning the
championship at the highly-
competitive Plum Classic
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PBIS ASSEMBLY



RESS held our annual **PBIS Kickoff Assembly!** Students learned about school-wide expectations, positive behavior, and behavior rewards. Mr. Savona and the PBIS team also created fun team activities for students to participate in throughout the assembly. It was a great way to kick off another year of PBIS at RESS!





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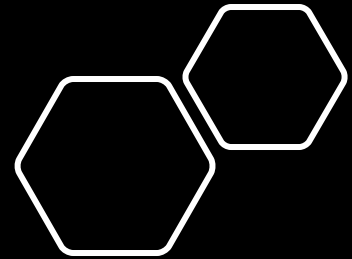
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**RESS
PTA**

You must fill out the
Position Volunteer Form.
Located on district page
at QR code below.



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INFORMATION

Required documents and
any questions can be emailed to:
nmathews@ringgold.org

1. Act 34 PA State Criminal Background Check
Free for Volunteers
<https://epatch.pa.gov/home>
2. Act 151 Child Abuse Clearance
Free for Volunteers
<https://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home>
3. Act 114 FBI Fingerprint Clearance
A. Volunteer FBI Background Check
(Service Code 1KG6Y3, \$23.50 fee)
<https://uenroll.identogo.com>
B. Fingerprint Waiver - Found on Ringgold Website
As long as you have resided in PA for the past 10 years.
4. Disclosure Statement for Volunteers - which is a statement
swearing or affirming the applicant has not been disqualified
from service by reason of conviction of designated criminal
offenses or being listed as the perpetrator in a founded report of
child abuse.
5. Shall undergo a test for tuberculosis.
-TB test/results must be dated within three (3) months of the
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Each flag will proudly be displayed throughout Ringgold Elementary School South as a tribute to our nation's veterans.

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