

Music News

Each K class will perform a Christmas program in Mrs. Lola Hill's classroom during December. You are invited to come. The performance schedule of classes is set up to allow one group of parents to leave before the next comes in.

The girls will be dolls and need to wear Christmas dresses (or skirts and blouses) and shoes. White tights or white stockings would be nice. Each girl will also need a red bow in her hair.

The boys will be toy wooden soldiers and should wear dark slacks (black would be nice), **long-sleeve** solid white shirts (with collar), and tennis or dress shoes. We will provide the hats and red cross-bands. The students will wear their performance clothes to school on their assigned performance day **unless** the classroom teacher advises differently. The programs start on time and last under 20 minutes. You may purchase a DVD of your child's performance for \$10.00. Forms have been sent home. Program schedule details are below. We look forward to seeing you there.

Tuesday, Dec. 13: Martin 9:15-9:35, Allen/Robertson (and Martin) 9:35-9:45
Manuel 10:15-10:35, Joubert **11:00**-11:20, Kellogg 12:15-12:35, Brady 1:15-1:35

Wednesday, Dec. 14: Albarez 9:15-9:35, Thornton 10:15-10:35, Curry **11:00**-11:20, Day 12:15-12:35, Wells 1:15-1:35,

Thursday, Dec. 15: Gafford 9:15-9:35, Knecht 10:15-10:35, Tucker **11:00**-11:20, Gunnell 12:15-12:35, Tassin 1:15-1:35, Thorne 2:15-2:35



First Grade is Fun! First-graders have been having a ball this fall. They visited Ms. Heather's Pumpkin Patch and had a great time. They learned how a pumpkin grows, participated in many fun activities and got to pick a pumpkin to take home! In class, first-grade students were engaged in many fun activities with their pumpkins.

First-graders have been reading many books pertaining to fall. They have had many fun-filled days predicting and mapping out stories. First-graders have also learned that a noun is a word that names a person, place, thing, or animal. They have located nouns in magazines, drawn pictures of nouns, and wrote sentences using nouns.

First-graders have also been learning about addition through stories and pictures. They are continuing to get a good sense of numbers. Science lessons have been filled with many exciting things to help students understand energy.

First grade teachers would like to thank all parents that assisted on the field trip to the pumpkin patch.

Parents Remember to: Ask your child to tell you about his/her day at school, Read each night, and encourage your Child!



We had a great time at the Corn Maze. A special thanks to all the chaperones who came on the field trip!

Some of the skills we are working on are rhyming words, number recognition, graphing, and identifying customs associated with holidays. We look forward to Thanksgiving activities.

Please remember the importance of reading aloud to your child daily. It should always be a relaxed and enjoyable time. Here are a few good ideas to follow when reading to your child:

- make listening to a story a regular part of your child's bedtime routine. This will help your child to develop a lifetime habit of reading before he or she goes to sleep.
- help your child to select the story or book. (There will be times when you share one of your favorites.)
- relax! Sit your child on your knee or by your side, or make sure that he or she is lying comfortably in bed.
- talk briefly about the cover, the illustrations, and the book's title before you start.
- Make sure that the child can see all the pictures. These help a young reader to follow the story or understand the information in a nonfiction book.
- From time to time, run your finger under the print to show that your voice follows the line of text.
- After reading a story, talk about it for a minute or two (not too long!).

- You might ask questions a few questions such as:
Why do you think he/she did that?
What did you think was going to happen then?
What would you have done if...?
What might have happened if...?
--If the child prefers to read about factual subjects, ask questions such as:
What did you learn about that you didn't know before?
Did this book tell you what you wanted to know about...?

Announcements

--There will be a School Improvement Team Meeting November 14, 2011 at 7:30 a.m. in the Library. All are welcome to attend.

--FAZE Free Dress Day on November 18! Bring \$2.00 and come to school in free dress!

--Free **shirt** day on Thursday, November 10, 2011 for students earning 5 or more AR points for the first nine weeks. All students reaching this goal will receive a coupon for free shirt day.

--We had a rocking good time at the Fall Frenzy with Mrs. Day. We worked out to some of our favorite songs! Our next PBIS Celebration will be Friday, November 4. Students who have an "A" average in conduct will receive a treat bag from the principals! Remind your child to come school ready to make positive choices everyday! K. Joubert

★ Star Students ★

Teacher	
Alvarez	Harold S
Allen	Braylon M
Bonds	Hunter T
Brady	Emilee C
Brown	Riley Kate G
Carlton	Hayley B
Carter	Ivy R
Collins	Stone T
Curry	Ryan W
Day	Amiyah W
Gafford	Madison H
Gehling	Lillian N
Gunnell	Lauren L
Johnson	Braylin D
Joubert	Hope T
Kellogg	Abigail M
Knecht	Hayes B
Major	Elise L
Manchester	Kameryn C
Manuel	Adam M
Martin	Tatum R
Robertson	Nathen B
Santangelo	Abigail K
Savario	Heidi C
Spangler	Abigail R
Tassin	Charity G
Taylor H.	Amarie C
Taylor P.	Kole D
Thorne	Autumn R
Thornton	Sadee B
Tucker	Ryleigh K
Wall	De'nae M
Wells	Garrison D
Williams	Samantha D
Wojohn	Elijah G



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Important Dates



November 1-Star Student Lunch, Fundraiser Party, Wellness NFL Kickoff--Kindergarten

November 2-Wellness NFL Kickoff-1st grade, State Police Visit for Kindergarten

November 4-Free Dress

November 8-March of Dimes Kickoff

November 11-Veteran's Day Program

November 14-School Improvement Team meeting @ 7:30 a.m.

November 15 & 16-Body Walk

November 21-25-Thanksgiving Holidays

November 28-Students return to school



FROM THE CHIEF

Thank you to all our parents who brought children to the Community Celebration which marked our district's seventh year in

a row as the number one district in the state. We are thrilled to have won the Spirit Competition. We thank Ms. Lola Hill, our music teacher, and our ancillary teachers, for assisting our students with practice before school. Our students did an awesome job. Our school performance score is an A+. This is due to our really great attendance. We thank you for having our students here every day on time.

Thank you to Ms. Amy Loftin, our PTO representative, for all her hard work. She is truly an asset to our school. We also thank Ms. Claire McCrary for chairing our Homecoming float committee. The float was breathtaking.

Thank you for your support of our Book Fair. All proceeds are used to purchase books and incentives for our students. Thank you to everyone who attended our kindergarten Literacy and first grade AR nights. A special thanks to our firemen who were here October 5th to teach our students about fire safety. Red Ribbon Week was a great success. We thank Ms. Dana Vicellio for all of the hard work involved in making it a fun learning event for our students. We are a Smart Bodies School committed to making a difference in our students' health and physical activity. We will take part in NFL Fuel Up to Play 60. It is a fun, interactive program that allows our students to make a commitment to healthy eating and 60 minutes of physical activity every day. Our Body Walk will be on November 15 and 16. You are truly fantastic parents. It is an honor and privilege for us to join with you in providing an outstanding education for our children.