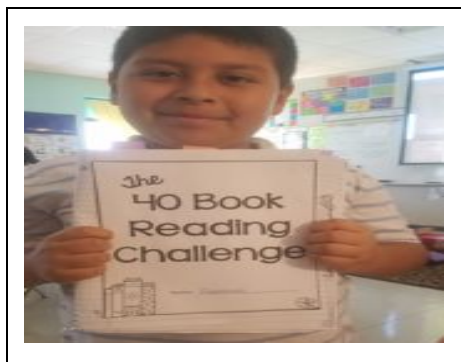


Extra, Extra...EES News

What's Happening at EES...

Friday, August 18, 2017

Reading Goals



This year, students in Mrs. Kruger's and Mrs. Vautrot's 4th grade classes will read books to complete the 40-Book Reading Challenge. Each student will attempt to read 40 chapter books of their choosing throughout the year. The goal is to instill a true LOVE of reading that will last a lifetime. Studies show that the more students read, the better they do in all academic subjects. We are excited to read, read, READ!

Read & Feed



Pictured above, Mrs. Staci McClure volunteers at the Tower Road Seamless Summer site. Mrs. McBurnett, with school nutrition, worked to incorporate literacy into the program this year. Students listened to stories prior to receiving meal service.

Coming Soon....



We are looking to begin a 1-2 monthly service club dedicated to community support and random acts of kindness. It will be open to all students grades 2-4 attending EES. We would love to have additional advisors that are part of the staff of EES or interested parents to help guide our students to Choose Kind when they see a need in our community. Email Valerie Kruger and Cynthia Vautrot if you are interested.

Community Connection



Dr. Melinda Fonteboa was a good sport when she volunteered to spend time in the dunking booth as an effort to draw community members to the final "Stuff the Bus" event for the year at Chick-Fil-A on the evening of August 17, 2017. Pictured above is EES student, Kaden Glover, in full motion as he works to dunk an administrator from his school. The items collected in the community effort are very much appreciated and are put to good use in the various Gilmer County schools.

Teachers as Students



Pictured above are educators, Mrs. Lindy Patterson and Dr. Jennifer Farist, with a representative sample of their respective ESOL and gifted endorsement students. These GCCSS teachers (and others not pictured) dedicated precious time and energy to attain certificate endorsements this past school year. Opportunities to participate this year are still available. Please let me know if you are interested in either endorsement. Representing EES is Mrs. Natasha Eubanks.

Media Message

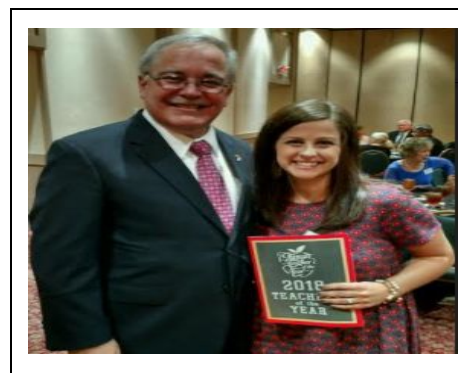
Students at EES visit the Media Center weekly and are able to have two books at a time checked out. One of those books needs to be "Just Right" for them. Finding a book that is not too easy and not too hard can be a difficult task. This year we are using the 5-Finger Rule to help students identify those **perfect fit** books. Here's what we teach students to do:

- Open a book that looks good to a page in the middle and read the entire page without adult help.
- Hold up a finger for every time you come to a word you don't know.
- When you finish the whole page, check how many fingers you are holding up.
 - 5 or more = too hard right now, you should save it for later
 - 4 = a little too hard, but might make a good free choice selection
 - 2 or 3 = JUST RIGHT – this is that perfect fit.
 - 0 or 1 = too easy to be "Just Right," but a great book for a free choice selection



This 5-Finger Rule might be helpful when you are helping your child select books away from school, too!

TOTY State Banquet



One of EES's own represented Gilmer County at the state Teacher of the Year banquet in Callaway Gardens on the evening of June 12, 2017. Pictured above is Gilmer Co TOTY, Mrs. Caitlin Snider, with state school superintendent, Richard Woods.

Upcoming Dates...

8/21...Eclipse Day...No School
8/22...School Governance Team Meeting @ 7:15 am in the Media Center
8/23...Shane's Night...4th Grade
9/4...Labor Day Holiday
9/18-22...? Homecoming Spirit Week
9/18...BoE Work Session 6 pm
9/18...Spirit Week...Color Day (Looking to choose a color per grade)
9/19...Title I Informational Night/Homecoming Float 6-7 pm
9/19...Spirit Week...Twin Day
9/19...Boy Scout Visit
9/20...Shane's Night...ESOL Program
9/20...Spirit Week...Tacky Day
9/21...Spirit Week...Super Hero Movie Day
9/21...BoE Meeting 6 pm
9/21...Homecoming Parade @ 7 pm
9/21...Boy Scout Round Up 7-8:15 pm
9/22...Spirit Week...School Spirit Day
9/26...School Governance Team Meeting @ 7:15 am in the Media Center
10/1-4...AdvancED Visit Window
10/4...Fall Pictures
10/11...Teacher Workday
10/12-13...Fall Break
10/16...BoE Work Session 6 pm
10/18...Shane's Night...ESOL Program
10/19...BoE Meeting. 6 pm
10/23 - 10/27 Book Fair
10/24...School Governance Team Meeting @ 7:15 am in the Media Center
10/26...Family Reading Night/Book Fair
11/13...BoE Work Session
11/15...Holiday Pictures
11/15...Shane's Night...Special Education Program
11/16...BoE Meeting 6 pm
11/16...STEM Night 6-7 pm
11/20-24...Thanksgiving Holiday
11/28...School Governance Team Meeting @ 7:15 am in the Media Center
12/5...EES Family Art Night 6-7 pm
12/11...BoE Work Session 6 pm
12/14...BoE Meeting 6 pm
12/20...Early Release Day
12/20...Shane's Night...Still Available
12/21-1/2...Holiday
1/3...Teacher Workday
1/4...Students Return
1/15...MLK Holiday
1/17...Shane's Night...Still Available
1/18...Family Movie Night 6-7pm
1/22...BoE Work Session 6 pm

1/23...School Governance Team Meeting @ 7:15 am in the Media Center
1/25...BoE Meeting 6 pm
2/13...EES Loves Math Family Night 6-7 pm
2/19...Winter Break
2/21...Shane's Night...Still Available
2/22-23...Inclement Weather Days
2/27...School Governance Team Meeting @ 7:15 am in the Media Center
3/15...Spring/Group Pictures
3/16...Teacher Workday
3/21...Shane's Night...STEM Program
3/27...School Governance Team Meeting @ 7:15 am in the Media Center
4/2-6...Spring Break
4/10...EES Color Run 6-7 pm
4/18...Shane's Night...Special Education Program
4/23-5/4...GMAS Testing Window
4/24...School Governance Team Meeting @ 7:15 am in the Media Center
5/16...Shane's Night...Still Available
5/16-22...GMAS Retest Window
5/25...Early Release Day...LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
5/28...Memorial Day
5/29-31...Post Planning Days
5/31...School Governance Team Meeting @ 1:00 pm in the Media Center