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DISTRICT NEWS



Support HMS at the Park Ave BP

Remember to fuel up at the Park Ave BP HMS/JHS gas pump! Two cents from every gallon purchased at this pump is donated to our schools. Proceeds from May sales go to Henderson Middle School. Be sure to stop by and support our Tigers the next time you need to fill up!

Thank you again to the Park Ave BP and May & Carter Oil Company for your support of our schools!

Elementary Career Expo

BCSS 4th and 5th grade students had the opportunity to explore various career paths at the Elementary Career Expo. Visiting with these professionals in a variety of vocations gave students the chance to see numerous possibilities and spark curiosity towards the kind of job that would be fulfilling and interesting to them. Thank you to all the individuals who spent time with our students!



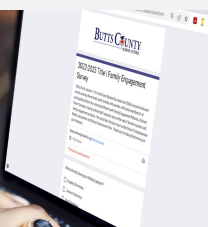
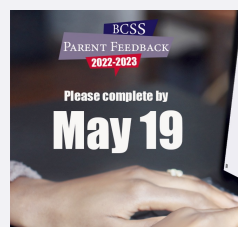
Special Forces Banquet

The Butts County Schools School Nutrition Department prepared and served dinner for the middle and high school special needs students and their families at their end of the year banquet last week. Once a month, Nutrition Director, Chef James travels to HMS and JHS to cook with the students. They learn culinary vocabulary and skills needs to prepare healthy meals for themselves. "This is why we do what we do," said Chef James after seeing the smiles on the students' faces. They are proud of what they have accomplished and proud to share that with their families. Students were awarded with certificates and given a crockpot and crockpot cookbook to continue their culinary journey.



Musicpalooza

Our students did a great job at the Musicpalooza performance this Saturday! Thank you to all the volunteers who donated their time to make this event a success and thank you to everyone who attended for supporting our students!



2022-2023 Parent Feedback

Your Input is Valuable. Each year we seek your input in the development of the School-Parent Compact and the Parent and Family Engagement Policy. We look forward to receiving your responses.

Please complete by May 19.

[Click here to provide feedback](#)

DAUGHTRY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Upcoming Events



5th Grade Career Expo

Our fifth graders were ready for the BCSS Elementary Career Expo!

JACKSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Upcoming Events



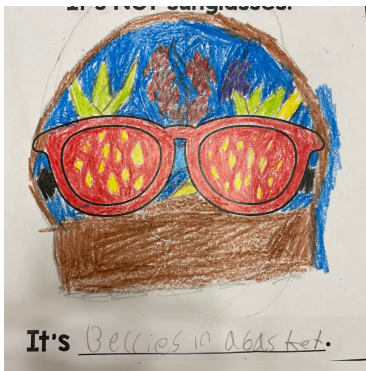
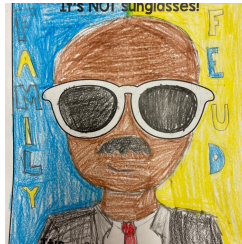
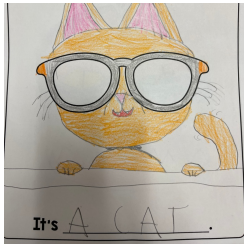
The Cajun Cornbread Boy

Mrs. Cabral read the Cajun Cornbread Boy to Ms. Yarbrough's 3rd grade class....then they had cornbread!

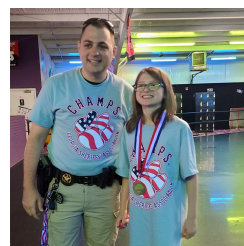
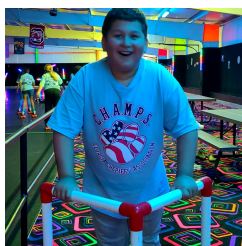


Creativity Challenge

Mrs. Caron's homeroom had a creativity challenge, add more details to complete the drawing. They could turn it into anything except SUNGLASSES.

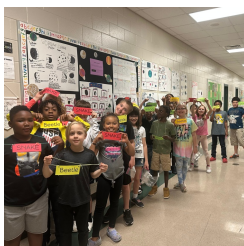


5th Grade Champs Celebration



Fourth Grade Science

Mrs. Tice's class playing Energy Tag learning more about ecosystems!



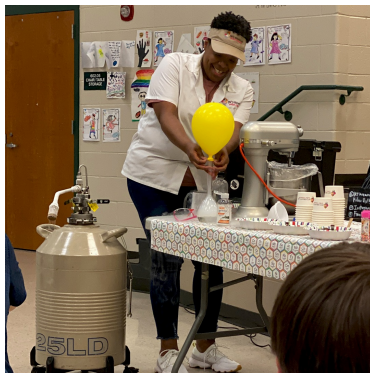
Stuffed Animal Paper Chair Challenge

Students have to construct a free standing chair that holds the stuff animal using only paper and tape.



Liquid Nitrogen Ice Cream

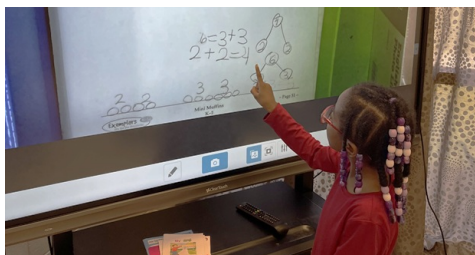
Our Robotics team celebrated the end of the school year with a very unique ice cream party! We had [N7] Kremer Lab visit and make ice cream with Liquid Nitrogen!



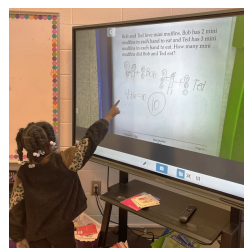
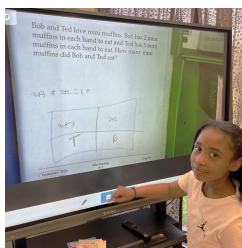
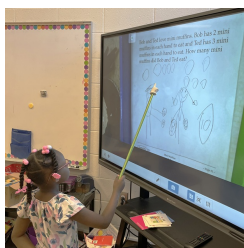
STARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

Clubs:
Robotics - Mondays
Student Council - Mondays
Young Men & Girls on the Move - Tuesdays
Good News - Tuesdays
First Kids - Wednesday (Bus 14-45)



Explaining Mathematical Thinking



Parents and Families,

Your Input Is Valuable! Each year we seek your input on how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement through the development of the School-Parent Compact. The compact is a written commitment that helps bridge the learning connection between school and home.

We also seek your input on how we can establish the expectations for family engagement and strengthen student academic achievement through the development of the Parent and Family Engagement Policy. The policy describes the different ways that the school will support family engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

[Click Here for Survey](#)

HENDERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

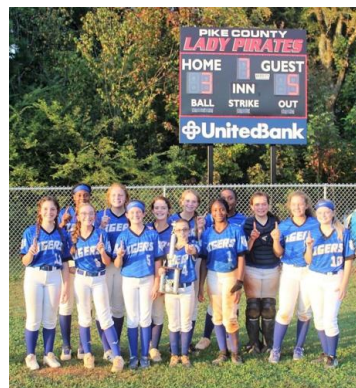
8th Grade Formal

This year's dance does down in the books as one of the BEST we've ever had! We are proud of our students and thankful to the 8th grade teachers for a job well done!



HMS Football Spring Practice

May 15 - May 19
3:30 - 6:00



HMS Softball Try-outs 2023-2024

May 22 and 23

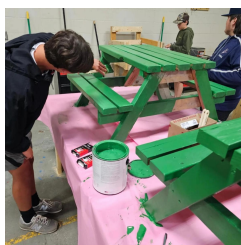
3:45-5:45
Butts County Athletic Complex

**Must have an up to date Physical to participate*

JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL

See Our CTAE

The JHS SkillsUSA student organization was proud to build and donate some "toddler" size picnic tables to Dauset Trails for their playground. We hope the kids enjoy them as much as we did building them.



PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Determination

Deciding it's worth it to finish what you started

When hard things come up in life, they can feel like mountains.

Word of the Month



Determination

(dĭ-tér-mĭ-nay-shən / rĕ-z)

firmness of purpose; resoluteness



They can seem big and impossible to get around. A Chinese proverb says, "The man who removes the mountain begins by carrying away small stones." You may not be able to conquer the mountain all at once, but with a little determination you can conquer it one stone at a time.

Character Building

Watch the short film, "[Coin Operated](#)", about determination. In this video, we see a young boy who sets out with a big dream. Through years and years of determination, he makes his dream a reality. With your family, talk about the lessons you learned after watching the film.



LITERACY CORNER



How Can I Help My Child Who Is Struggling To Read

- Don't wait to get your child reading help if she or he is behind.
- Read to your child a few minutes daily.
- Help your child choose books at his or her reading level.
- Consider checking out books on tape.
- Create a reader-friendly home by monitoring screen-time.



Ferst Readers

A child's path to a brighter future is paved with books. Children, from birth to five, enrolled in the Ferst Readers program receive a FREE quality book every month mailed to them at home. If you live in Butts County, you can register a child by visiting the website, www.ferstreaders.org, or by calling 888-565-0177. Be sure to register every child under five in your family. Each book is specially chosen for child's age and level of development- and because it's fun to read!

Reading with Your Child

Twenty minutes a day is all it takes to build key reading skills.

Visit the [Literacy section of our Parent Engagement page](#) to learn five ways to help your child become a better reader.

Reading with your child



1.) CREATE READING RITUALS AND READ TOGETHER EVERY DAY.

Bed time is a great time for that! Struggle up with your child and a good book as part of your child's bedtime routine.



free activities, games and resources for parents and caregivers of children prenatal to age 8

Bright by Text

Receive free text messages with easy practical tips and activities for children from birth to age eight. Bright by Text content is provided by trusted partners like PBS and Sesame Street, and customized by your child's birthdate and your zip code so it's just what you need, when you need it most.

Bright by Text will never share your information or try to sell you anything. And they'll never charge you for any of the valuable resources they provide. Simply text BRIGHT to 274448.

READING RESOURCES

at your fingertips

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RAISING READERS: WHAT PARENTS CAN DO

[HTTPS://WWW.NEA.ORG/PROFESSIONAL-EXCELLENCE/STUDENT-ENGAGEMENT/TIPS-OLS-TIPS/RAISING-READERS-WHAT-PARENTS-CAN-DO](https://www.nea.org/professional-excellence/student-engagement/tips-ols-tips/raising-readers-what-parents-can-do)

THE POWER OF JOY FOR EARLY READERS

[HTTPS://READINGPARTNERS.ORG/BLOG/THE-POWER-OF-JOY-FOR-EARLY-READERS/](https://readingpartners.org/blog/the-power-of-joy-for-early-readers/)

READING ROCKETS

[HTTPS://WWW.READINGROCKETS.ORG/READING-101-GUIDE-PARENTS](https://www.readingrockets.org/reading-101-guide-parents)

6 TIPS FOR SETTING UP YOUR HOME FOR READING SUCCESS

[HTTPS://READINGPARTNERS.ORG/BLOG/6-TIPS-FOR-SETTING-UP-YOUR-HOME-FOR-READING-SUCCESS/](https://readingpartners.org/blog/6-tips-for-setting-up-your-home-for-reading-success/)

5 ONLINE RESOURCES FOR PARENTS OF STRUGGLING READERS

[HTTPS://WWW.GEMMLEARNING.COM/BLOG/PARENT-TIPS/5-RESOURCES-FOR-PARENTS-OF-STRUGGLING-READERS/](https://www.gemmllearning.com/blog/parent-tips/5-resources-for-parents-of-struggling-readers/)

WEBSITES FOR PARENTS

[HTTPS://WWW.READINGPOWERINC.ORG/WEBSITES-FOR-PARENTS.HTML](https://www.readingpowerinc.org/websites-for-parents.html)



1000 Books Before Kindergarten

The concept is simple, the rewards are priceless. Read a book (any book) to your newborn, infant, and/or toddler. The goal is to have read 1000 books (yes you can repeat books) before your precious one starts kindergarten. Does it sound hard? Not really if you think about it. If you read just one book a night, you will have read about 365 books in a year. That is 730 books in two years and 1095 books in three years. If you consider that most children start kindergarten at around 5 years of age, you have more time than you think (so get started).

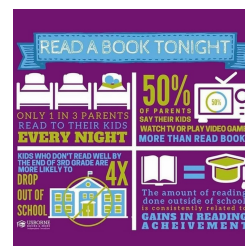
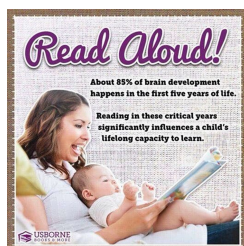
The 1000 Books Before Kindergarten app lets you keep track of your reading activity quickly and easily.

- Scan books into your library
- Keep track of your reading activity for multiple readers
- Track your progress to 1000 books!

Here's your chance to be one of the Ferst Fifty

Your donation of \$360 will sponsor 10 Butts County children between the ages of 0-5, for one year. Each child will receive one book per month by mail. Donations are tax deductible. We will feature your business or organization on the FERST Readers social media as one of the exclusive FERST Fifty.

Checks made payable to FERST Readers, with Butts County in the memo line. Checks can be mailed to PO Box 263, Jackson, GA 30233.



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