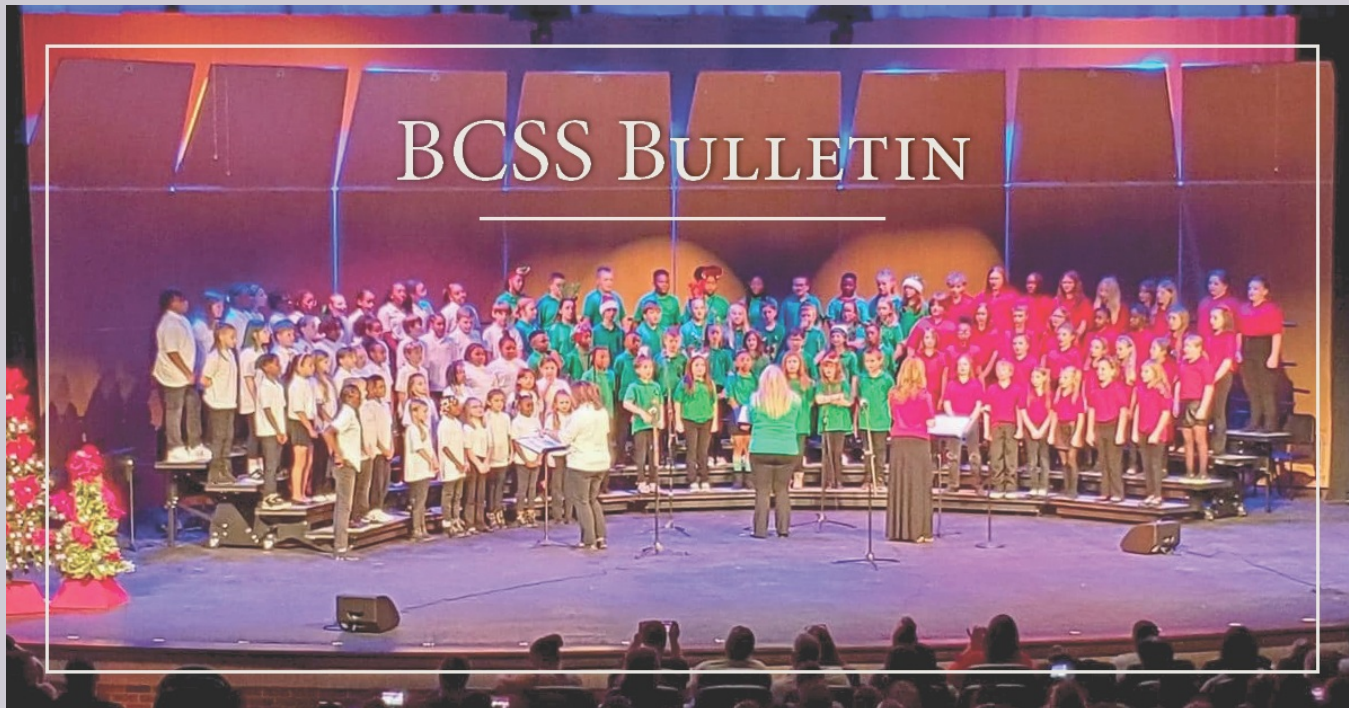


BCSS BULLETIN



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DISTRICT NEWS



Support BCSS 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 December sales will go to Jackson High School so be sure to stop by and support our Red Devils 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!

Every Day Counts

Every single day at school brings new opportunities to learn and grow. Each lesson, interaction, and activity adds valuable building blocks to your education journey. Missing just 2 days each month of the school year, can put students at risk of academic failure. Help your student succeed by ensuring they attend school everyday!



MENUS

Week of December 4

ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Dec 04	Breakfast - Mini Donut Holes Lunch Crispy Chicken Nuggets w/Dip, Warm Roll or Crispy Fish Sticks w/Hushpuppies, Oven Roasted Potatoes, Homemade Coleslaw, Warm Chocolate Chip Cookie <i>National Cookie Day</i>
Dec 05	Breakfast - Apple French Toast Lunch Cheesy Stuffed Crust Pizza or Cheesy Chicken Alfredo/Warm Roll, Curly Leaf Garden Salad, Seasoned Corn <i>Harvest of the Month</i>
Dec 06	Breakfast - Smile Mini Donuts Lunch Cheesy Calzones w/Marinara or Mama's Meatloaf, Warm Roll, Candied Sweet Potatoes, Fluffy Yellow Rice, Fresh Broccoli w/Ranch
Dec 07	Breakfast - Cinnamon Roll Lunch Roasted Smoked Ham or Crispy Chicken Tenders w/Dip, Seasoned Green Beans, Cheesy Squash Casserole, Warm Roll, Homemade Fruit Salad, Christmas Treat <i>System Wide Christmas Dinner</i>
Dec 08	Breakfast - Breakfast Pizza Lunch Homemade Tator Tot Casserole w/Roll or Managers Choice, Seasoned Black-eyed Peas, Fresh Veggies w/Dip, Fudge Brownie <i>National Brownie Day</i>

HMS AND JHS

Dec 04	Breakfast - Apple French Toast Lunch Crispy Chicken Nuggets w/Dip, Warm Roll or Crispy Fish Sticks w/Hushpuppies, Oven Roasted Potatoes, Homemade Coleslaw, Warm Chocolate Chip Cookie <i>National Cookie Day</i>
Dec 05	Breakfast - Chicken Biscuit Lunch Cheesy Stuffed Crust Pizza or Cheesy Chicken Alfredo/Warm Roll, Curly Leaf Garden Salad, Seasoned Corn <i>Harvest of the Month</i>
Dec 06	Breakfast - Steak Biscuit Lunch Cheesy Calzones w/ Marinara or Mama's Meatloaf, Warm Roll, Candied Sweet Potatoes, Fluffy Yellow Rice, Fresh Broccoli w/Ranch
Dec 07	Breakfast - Hadley Bars Lunch Roasted Smoked Ham or Crispy Chicken Tenders w/Dip, Seasoned Green Beans, Cheesy Squash Casserole, Warm Roll, Homemade Fruit Salad, Christmas Treat <i>System Wide Christmas Dinner</i>
Dec 08	Breakfast - Muffin Tops Lunch Homemade Tator Tot Casserole w/Roll or Managers Choice, Seasoned Black-eyed Peas, Fresh Veggies w/Dip, Fudge Brownie <i>National Brownie Day</i>

Welcome, Dee Jay!

We are excited to welcome our newest Resource Officer, K9 Dee Jay! Dee Jay is a trained guns, ammunition, and explosives detection dog originally from Holland. He was generously donated to BCSS and the Butts County Sheriff's Office from Irondog K9 International, thank you! Welcome to the team, Dee Jay!



Christmas Break

All Butts County School System Schools and offices will be closed in observance of the Christmas holiday beginning on Tuesday, December 19, 2023, through January 2, 2024. Teachers and office staff will return on Wednesday, January 3, 2024. Students will return on Friday, January 5, 2024.

HENDERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL
PRESENTS

SHREK the Musical JR.

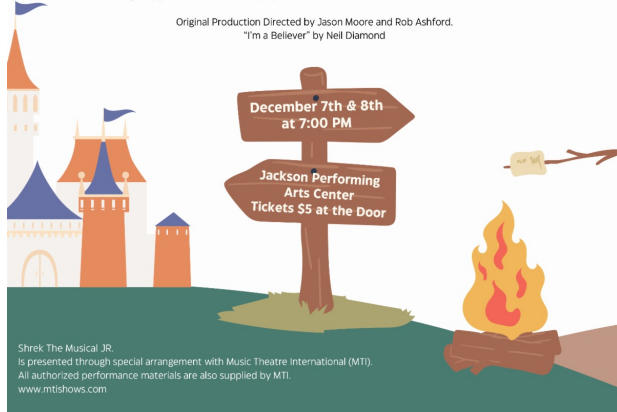
Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the Book by
William Steig

Book and Lyrics by
DAVID LINDSAY-ABAIRE

Music by
JEANINE TESORI

Originally produced on Broadway by DreamWorks Theatricals and Neal Street Productions

Original Production Directed by Jason Moore and Rob Ashford.
"I'm a Believer" by Neil Diamond



From Tigers To Red Devils Basketball Mini Cheer Clinic

DETAILS:
PARTICIPATING AGES: 4 - 13
\$50.00 PER PARTICIPANT

REGISTRATION & REGISTRATION FEE DEADLINE:
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2023

INCLUDED: CHEER CLINIC T-SHIRT &
PERFORMANCE GAMEDAY FREE ADMISSION

SCAN OR USE THE
LINK TO REGISTER:

REGISTRATION LINK:
<https://qrco.de/beYVit>

MINI CHEER CLINIC SCHEDULE:

CAMP DATE: JANUARY 6, 2024	PRACTICE DATE: JANUARY 11, 2024
GAMEDAY PERFORMANCE DATE: JANUARY 13, 2024	



Athletic Events



BUTTS COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM ATHLETICS THIS WEEK

DECEMBER 2023

04 MONDAY	05 TUESDAY	06 WEDNESDAY	07 THURSDAY	08 FRIDAY	09 SATURDAY
JHS Basketball Home-6:30 pm JVB vs NE Macon	HMS Basketball Home-Upson Lee Girls 5:00 pm Boys 6:15 pm	HMS Wrestling Away-Lamar Co 5:00 pm	HMS Basketball Away-Gray Station Girls 4:30 pm Boys 5:45 pm	JHS Basketball Away-Social Circle JVB-4:30 VG 6:00 pm VB 7:30 pm	JHS Basketball Home-Monticello JVB-1:30 pm VG 3:00 pm VB 4:30 pm
	JHS Basketball Home-Lamar Co JVB-4:30 VG 6:00 pm VB 7:30 pm	JHS Basketball Home-5:30 pm 9th Grade Boys vs. Upson Lee	JHS Basketball Away-5:30 pm 9th Grade Boys @ Griffin		JHS Wrestling Away-Upson Lee 9:00 am
			JHS Wrestling Away-Monticello 5:30 pm		

DAUGHTRY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

Visit www.bcssk12.org/DES
for the latest information.



5th Grade Hooverville

Students in 5th grade are learning about the social studies standard regarding the impact of the Great Depression on Americans during the 1930's. Students are engaged in their learning as they build first-hand using cardboard, newspapers, and other recycled materials to create their "shanty homes" in Hooverville. The students are making connections between this standard and the novels they are reading: Bud, Not Buddy and The Barn Burner. Both books are set in the 1930's and are written from a young boy's point of view. Cross-curricular connections are a great way to deepen learning.



JACKSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

Visit www.bcssk12.org/JES
for the latest information.



JES Literacy

Way to go, Kaydence, on cashing in Panda bucks to spread the love of reading to others. Third graders loved their special guest!

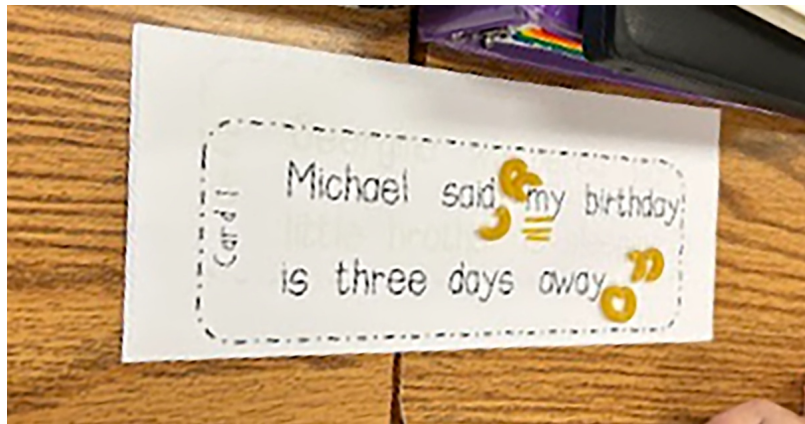
STARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

December 1 - 15

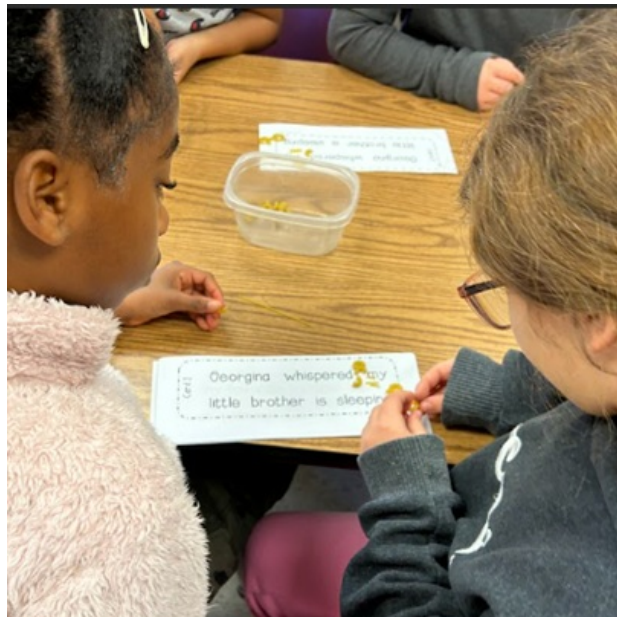
Sock it to Winter - Student
Council Sock/Mitten Collection

Visit www.bcssk12.org/SES
for the latest information.



Just Add Pasta

Mrs. Pippin's class was using pasta (elbow noodles & spaghetti) to edit sentences containing dialogue.



HENDERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

Visit www.bcssk12.org/HMS
for the latest information.



Shrek The Musical Jr.

Don't miss our production of Shrek The Musical Jr.! December 7 and 8 at 7 PM at the Butts County Performing Arts Center.

JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

December 4

HMH Middle of the Year Testing

Progress Learning Course Benchmarks

December 5

Herff Jones will be at lunch for senior dues - \$155

Chorus Holiday Concert
7 PM

December 7

EOC assessments begin

December 8

BCSS Spelling Bee and Literacy Days
8:30 AM - 1 PM

December 9

ACT administered

Final Saturday School for this semester

December 11

EOPAs administered to qualifying students in CTAE courses

JHS Christmas band concert

December 15

1st and 2nd block final exam

December 18

3rd and 4th block final exam



Food Truck Project in Ms. Bailey's Business Class

Ms. Bailey's business students were able to create their very own Food Truck Business. They participated in Food Truck Wars where they presented their business ideas to their peers and our staff. Thanks go out to Hibachi Joe's for coming to speak to our students!

LITERACY CORNER



How Can I Help My Child Who Is Struggling To Read

- Don't wait to get your child's 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.

BUTTS COUNTY EARLY LITERACY PARENT EDUCATORS

Reading with your child

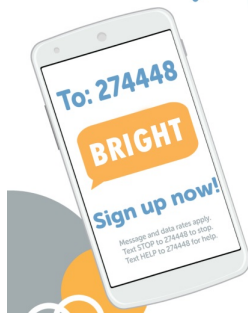


1.) CREATE READING RITUALS AND READ TOGETHER EVERY DAY.

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

Bright by Text

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



BUTTS COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM

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

1

RAISING READERS: WHAT PARENTS CAN DO

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

2

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/)

3

READING ROCKETS

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

4

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/)

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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/)

6

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!

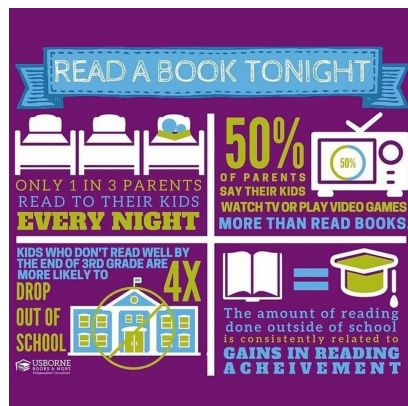
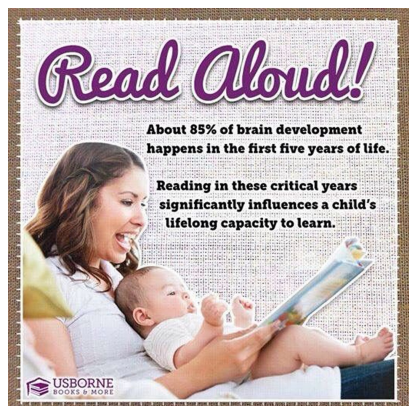


Here's your chance to be one of the Ferst Fifty



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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