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SARALAND MIDDLE SCHOOL

Parent Newsletter

Red Ribbon Week is October 23-27

Students dress up during Red Ribbon Week to display their stand against drugs: Monday: Nerd Day Tuesday: Camouflage Day Wed.: Grade Level Colors 6th-yellow, 7th-green, 8th-blue Thursday: Spirit Shirt Friday- Spirit Shirt

Fall Festival

Fall Festival is **Fri. 10-27-17**. Wrist bands for admission are \$10 and will be sold during lunch waves. Food items will be available for \$1-\$2 the day of the festival. Please donate the following items for prizes:

6th grade: Boxes of Little

Debbie Cakes

7th & 8th Grades: 2 liter drinks

Science Support

* Cheer for S.M.S. during the BEST Robotics competition at the University of South AL. on Sat., Oct. 28. Admission is free. *If 100 people from S.M.S. participate in the Reese's Sr. Bowl Charity Fun Run on 11-04-17, our science dept. will get \$1,000! More details are on the S.M.S. web page.

Parenting Day: October 16

Parents, grandparents, and guardians are invited to attend our annual Parenting Day on Monday, October 16, from 8:00 to 10:00 AM. Fun and informative activities have been planned, everything from a science lab demonstration to a tour of our freshly planted garden. (See the picture below.) Come learn more about what is taking place every day at S.M.S. and discover ways you can positively impact your child's education!



Students in 7th grade science classes develop their green thumbs and learn about life science firsthand as they add soil and seeds to their newly built garden planters.



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Helpful Hints for Parents

Stay informed and regularly monitor your child's progress.

- Check grades regularly in INOW. Click on "INOW PARENT PORTAL" located on the S.M.S. homepage.
- Ask your child to show you his or her progress report on Take-Home Tuesdays.
- Contact your child's teacher if you have a question.
- Visit teachers' web pages to see upcoming assignments and for links to additional resources.
- Address concerns early in the quarter so that your child can work to improve his or her grades.

Students of the Month

September

6th: Cameron Peregoy &

Kennedy Averett
7th: Linda Coate &
Jamie Bellman
8th: Dylan Peters &
Makayla Barnett

October

6th: Kevin Trehern & Emily Dietz **7th** Grade: Madison Peters &

Chandler Merrill

8th Grade: Emily Lolley &

Braxton Weiss

Duke Talent Search Results



Congratulations to the nearly 60 sixth graders who qualified for the Duke Talent Search by scoring 95% or higher on one or more areas of last year's ACT Aspire. (Not all sixth graders who qualified are pictured.)



Congratulations to the nearly 120 seventh graders who qualified for the Duke Talent Search by scoring 95% or higher on one or more areas of the 2017 ACT Aspire. (Not all seventh graders who qualified are pictured.)