



Tiger Times

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Set the Date!

- ☺ 1/21 MLK Holiday
- ☺ 1/28 Clubs
- ☺ 1/31 PTO Dance
- ☺ 2/15, 2/18, and 2/19
No school OR
Inclement Weather
Make-up Day(s)
- ☺ 2/21 Literacy Night
- ☺ 2/25 Clubs
- ☺ 3/8 Teacher In-service
OR Inclement Weather
Make-up Day
- ☺ 3/11 No School OR
Inclement Weather
Make-up Day

Happy January!

Today was a bit nippy outside; I believe winter may actually be on its way...finally!

We are having a FABULOUS year so far at RES thanks to great students, great faculty/staff, and great parents. Thank you so much for helping us to help your child!

One of the most important ways you can help your child is to instill the importance of reading into the culture of your home. So many people think reading is boring but I wholeheartedly disagree. In fact, I find reading to be so refreshing because I am able to imagine, learn, and, sometimes, escape. Of course, one aspect of

developing a love of reading is finding your preferred genre. For example, I really like mysteries. Fortunately, I was introduced to an author who is a phenomenal mystery writer, Lisa Scottoline. She is very good at hooking the reading at the very beginning and keeping you interested throughout the entire story. January is a great month to find a good author and challenge yourself to read all of his/her books. A better suggestion is to do this with your child!

Help! Lunch charges are quickly increasing to over \$700 so we need you to help us by paying as much on your student's lunch account as possible when they have charges. Of course, we will never prevent your child from

eating breakfast or lunch. Their well-being is most important to us!

Speaking of breakfast...car riders who need to eat breakfast in the cafeteria should arrive at school by 7:30-7:45 in order to make it to class by 8:00.

RES has great business partners who graciously and generously donate to various needs of our school. Please say thank you to them by doing business with them. They include:

American National Insurance (Michael Colquette), Capital Bank, Catoosa Co. Sheriff's Dept, Coca-Cola Bottling, Elder's Ace Hardware, Metro Boiler Tube, Parkway Baptist Church, Ringgold Kiwanis Club, Ringgold United Methodist Church,

Moreland Minute

Are you a Tigger or an Eeyore?

Pooh, Piglet, Tigger, and Eeyore are all good pals. They play together, go on adventures, and learn things. Each of them cares deeply for his buddies. When you think of "Tigger", what comes to mind? What is he like? (happy, silly, energetic, positive, not too smart, carefree, ...)

When you think of "Eeyore", what comes to mind?

(sad, slow, dejected, pessimistic)

When anything happens, Eeyore expects the worst. He expects the weather to be rainy, the shelter to be uncomfortable, the hike to be too long, the water to be too warm and the food too cold. He sets his expectations way low so he is seldom disappointed, but then he has nothing to look forward to.

Tigger, on the other hand, sees fun and adventure in everything. He hops rather

than walk, jumps rather than run, and bounces rather than sit still. He sees the rainbow through the clouds, notices something new at every step of a hike, and believes every minute of life is a gift to enjoy. He may not think things through, but he is always looking ahead to the next adventure.

So, who are you? Are you more of an Eeyore, plodding through life, sure that school will be hard, friends will be few, and there won't be much fun to do on the weekend? Or are you like Tigger, ready to make every task a game, every day an adventure, and every challenge an opportunity?

Spelling Bee Winners!



5th Grade Winner—
Ava Phillips

4th Grade Winner—
Milan Zerk



Family Literacy Night and Book Fair!

Thursday Feb. 21st join us for **Family Literacy Night**. We will have hot chocolate and cookies, the book fair, silent auction of children's book illustrator, Michael P. White, and fun-filled activities for everyone!

Feb. 22nd-28th will be shopping days during the school days. Parents and grandparents are welcome to shop just remember to sign in at the front office. ***ALL FOR BOOKS!*** A reason to round up to the nearest dollar. The All For Books

Program is a way to help more students have access to books. Scholastic will match dollar for dollar what our school raises and donate to The Kids in Need Foundation. Plus our school will get to pull the same amount in books from the fair to keep in our media center for all to check out.

Volunteers Needed!

If you are available to volunteer during the book fair please contact Allison Crawford
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PAWS FOR PARTNERS

RES is blessed with such supportive, generous partners! We would like to extend our gratitude to the following partners who were very active in our school over the past few months. Metro Boiler Tube, the Ringgold Kiwanis Club, Webb Dentistry, Coca-Cola, and Waffle House are each eager to help however needed. First, Metro Boiler Tube and representative, Mark Collins, provided LOTS of school supplies to meet teacher wishes this year. He also donated money for the purchase of

pumpkins for the fall art activity on Club Day. Next, Mr. Collins and Webb Dentistry donated gift cards, gift baskets, and other gifts for door prizes at the January faculty meeting to help teachers kick-off a great new year! Additionally, Waffle House graciously donated breakfast for the same meeting; food always makes teachers smile! Coca-Cola Bottling donated over 1000 drinks to support the school's PBIS program, providing drinks for each of the 9-week celebrations. Furthermore, they gave a cash donation to support student incentives. Long-time partner, Ringgold Kiwanis Club, held their December meeting at RES, enjoyed the talented Ringgold Singers Christmas performance, and made a cash donation to support teachers and fill their wishes for school supplies. Finally, the chorus trip to the Governor's Mansion was partially funded by these generous organizations, too. We are so fortunate to have these wonderful partners and encourage the RES family to offer them your patronage as a "thank you" for their support.

Title I

RES Title I always welcomes input from parents regarding the budget, policies or activities. Please email Kathy Kennedy with your suggestions or comments.

RES parents have the right to request a meeting with their child's teacher. We want to stay in touch with parents!

Visit the Parent and Family Resource Room any school day between the hours of 8:00 -2:00. We have many resources to help you and your children

Our Mission

Ringgold Elementary School believes each child is a unique individual capable of reaching his or her full potential in a safe, positive environment

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Catoosa County Public Schools will be a nationally recognized learning community whose graduates are prepared for tomorrow's challenges