# The Riverchase Times Volume 12 Issue 8 Riverchase Elementary School – May 2016

I cannot believe another school year is almost in the books! We have accomplished so much by learning new academic and social skills, installing new playground safety padding, and installing a water bottle refill station, to name a few. It has been amazing, but we have lots of great fun learning activities still planned in these last few weeks of school such as PhUn and Field Day.

I would like to take a few minutes to thank our wonderful faculty and staff. Without their hours of commitment and work, we would not have had such an amazing year. Thanks to our PTO who donates their time, talents, and finances to support the school, teachers, and most importantly our students. Parents, thank you for sharing your most precious gift, your child, with us. We have enjoyed having them, creating memories, and learning with them this year. Last but not least, thank you to our students who come to use and share amazing perspectives and talents with us daily. Together we make RES the awesome school that it is.

I hope that you each have a restful summer full of new adventures!

Sincerely,

Dr. Alice Turney

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The Kindergarten classes of Riverchase will be celebrating their first year of school with a year end program called, My First Year. Come and listen to these sweet voices sing and speak about their first year experiences as a new student at

Riverchase. The program will start at 6:00 p.m in the cafeteria on Thursday, May 12th.

# On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!



Summer Reading at Hoover Library is a much-anticipated annual program that brings children and their families into the library for reading and fun. This year's theme focuses on sports and fitness, which is why our kick-off event is at Veteran's Park on Saturday, May 21. The Book It! 5K fundraiser run begins at 8 a.m., followed by a free party from 10 a.m.-12 noon. There will be inflatables, games, crafts, snacks, and more . . . including a BMX Trickstars stunt bike

exhibition at 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. The remainder of the summer will be filled with amazing performers on the Library Theatre stage, epic parties in the Kid Zone, an author illustrator conference featuring Chris Raschka and Ingrid Law, and lots and lots of reading! Register to be a summer reader anytime May 23–July 18. Once you sign up, use your official book log to record the title and number of pages in each book you read. Earn a ticket for every 100 pages then trade those tickets for cool prizes in our Prize Locker. Every Riverchase Elementary student will receive an official summer reading calendar before the end of the school year. Make sure you take a look!

# Figld DAY 2016

# May the Fun Be With You

Please join us on May 25<sup>th</sup> to celebrate another year's end! We need LOTS of volunteers to help make it a success! Prepare to be outside and having fun! Please use the following link to sign up: <u>FIELD DAY 2016 Volunteer Sign Up.</u>

Field Day t-shirts are now on sale. The flyer was sent home in Wednesday folders. The t-shirts are \$12.00 each and the deadline to order is May 10<sup>th</sup>.

#### \*Character Counts.....

Friendship is the character value for April. Friendship is spending time with someone you trust and obey. Congratulations to the following students who have been nominated by their classmates for demonstrating friendship

#### Kindergarten

#### Emma Rogers – Barnett Sophia Cain – Carlisle Georgia Long – Colby Kaylee Smith – Cook Kirby Bland – Dean CJ Richardson – Loftin Coen Englett – Moran

#### **First Grade**

Peyton Cerniglia – Hottel
Colin Woodward – Hyche
Caleb Mason – Kelley
Jacob Snell - Turner
Meghan Jordan – Woodie

#### **Second Grade**

Connor Sanders – Bryant Brodie Hamilton – Collins Jack Lutenbacher – Johnson Charlotte Kellogg – Mitchell Parker Gallik – Smith Lindsay Kim - Woodward

#### **Third Grade**

Ta'Nerica Ray – Beam
Hailey Owens – Frederick
Ayaan Dhanani – Kline
Katie Chung – Rogers
Geraldine Flores – Weaver
Aniyah Tyus – Wilson

#### **Fourth Grade**

Sean Corey – Bullard Anna Jordan – Everette Sam Lin – Gilliam Abbiella Hodges – Knight Libby Johnson – Long Aqdas Rajpari – Olive Olivia Landess - Olive

#### Fifth Grade

Landon Condone – Barnett Ariel Johnson – Causey Ryan McKern – Dunn Presley Aaron – Ray Joshua Chung – Wallis

## **GARDEN NEWS!**

We want to thank our Gardening Grannies and Master Gardeners Mrs. Betty Daigle and Mrs. Dolly Walker, for volunteering endless hours instructing our students and caring for our garden this year. We really appreciate all they have done to help our students and garden grow.

Any families interested in helping care for our garden one day a week this summer, please email Mrs. Tanner. Families are needed to weed, water, and pick the garden Tuesday and Thursdays in the early morning or late afternoon between 8-5. Families interested please email Mrs. Tanner at <a href="mailto:ptanner@hoover.k12.al.us">ptanner@hoover.k12.al.us</a>

## The TALENT SHOW is almost here!

The participants are ready to show us what they've got!!

Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30

Admission: Adults \$5.00 and Children \$2.00 Tickets will be sold at the door starting at 4:45.

The doors open at 5:00.

Popcorn and drinks will be sold for \$1.00 each at the concession stand.

Please, CASH ONLY...no credit/debit cards can be taken.



## Helping with Math at Home

(from www.youcubed.org)

- 1. Encourage children to play math puzzles and games. Puzzles and games or anything with a dice will help kids enjoy math and develop numeracy and logic skills.
- 2. Always be encouraging and never tell kids they are wrong when they are working on math problems. Instead, find the logic in their thinking because there is always some logic to what they say. For example, if your child multiplies three by four and gets seven, say 'Oh I see what you're thinking; you're using what you know about addition to add three and four. When we multiply we have four groups of three.'
- **3.** Never associate math with speed. It is not important to work quickly, particularly in the younger years, and we now know that forcing kids to work fast on math is the best way to start math anxiety for children, especially girls.
- **4.** Never share with your children the idea that you were bad at math at school or you dislike it, especially if you are a mother. Researchers found that as soon as mothers shared that idea with their daughters, their daughter's achievement went down.
- 5. Encourage number sense. What separates high and low achievers in elementary school is number sense, or having an idea of the size of numbers and being able to separate and put numbers together flexibly. For example, when working out 29 + 56, if you take one from the 56 and make it 30 + 55, it is much easier to work out.
- **6.** Perhaps most important of all, encourage a growth mindset, or the idea that ability and smartness change as you work more and learn more. The opposite to this is a fixed mindset, where the idea is that ability is fixed and you can either do math or you can't. When children have a growth mindset, they do well with challenges and do better in school overall. When children have a fixed mindset and they encounter difficult work, they often conclude that they haven't got what it takes to do math. One way in which parents encourage a fixed mindset is by telling their children they are clever or smart when they do something well. That seems like a nice thing to do, but it sets children up for difficulties later, as when kids fail at something they will inevitably conclude that they aren't smart after all.



# THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!!!

This year would not have been such a success without you! RES PTO appreciates all of the support, assistance and HOURS you have given when we have needed you! Thank you!!



Publix key cards have gone home in your child's Wednesday purple folder. Don't forget to use your Publix key card whenever you shop at Publix! At the end of checking out, just hand them the card! Publix will then give RES a percentage back of what was sold! Extra cards will be available at the Parent Information desk in the main lobby. Pick up some extras and give them out to neighbors, friends and family!

# RES IS "MAD" FOR OUR SCHOOL SPONSORS!

A SPECIAL THANKS TO THIS YEAR'S SPONSORS!

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# May 2016



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Talent Show Dress Rehearsal	3 Kindergarten Kick-Off 9:00	4	5 Talent Show 5:30	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 Kindergarten Music Program 6:00	13	14
15	16	17	18 Character Lunch	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Field Day Early Dismissal 12:45	26 Last Day for Students Early dismissal 11:00	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day	31	1	2	3	4

# Staff Birthdays in May:

1: Natalie Evans 20: Ragan Caputo

1: Shannon Kline

3: Priscilla Bolar

4: Taylor Bullard





# Elementary, Brock's Gap & Middle School Breakfast Menus



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2	3	4	5	6
Mini Pancakes	Breakfast Pizza	Egg & Cheese on Bun	Mini Waffles	French Toast Sticks
OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
Assorted Dry Cereal	Assorted Dry Cereal	Assorted Dry Cereal	Assorted Dry Cereal	Assorted Dry Cereal
Assorted Fruit &	Assorted Fruit & Fruit	Assorted Fruit & Fruit	Assorted Fruit & Fruit	Assorted Fruit &
Fruit Juice options	Juice options	Juice options	Juice options	Fruit Juice options
Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk
9	10	11	12	13
Frudels	Mini Pancakes	Cinni Minis	Mini Waffles	Breakfast Sliders
OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
Assorted Dry Cereal	Assorted Dry Cereal	Assorted Dry Cereal	Assorted Dry Cereal	Assorted Dry Cereal
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Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk
16	17	18	19	20
"Manager's Choice"	"Manager's Choice"	"Manager's Choice"	"Manager's Choice"	"Manager's Choice"
23	24	25	26	
"Manager's Choice"	"Manager's Choice"	"Manager's Choice"	"Manager's Choice"	Follow us 900000000000000000000000000000000000

Note: In addition to the options listed above, Individual schools may offer various entrees and side items, (Manager's Choice) as they attempt to liquidate their inventory at the end of the school year;

Menu is subject to change based on availability



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Fresh Fruit options served daily!



# Meatless Monday Entrée

(V) = Vegetarian

#### Elementary, Brock's Gap & Middle School Lunch Menus

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday				
2	3	4	5	6				
Cheese Sticks w/Marinara (V) Ham & Cheese Wrap Potato Rounds Stir-Fry Veggies Cinnamon Apples	Crispitos Beef Taco Salad Corn Seasoned Black Beans Sliced Pears	Chicken Tenders Sliced Pork w/Gravy Dinner Roll Mashed Potatoes Steamed Carrots Sliced Peaches	Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Chicken Alfredo Dinner Roll Green Beans Fresh Garden Salad Applesauce	"Manager's Choice" Chicken Nuggets Sweet Potato Fries Steamed Broccoli w/Cheese Mandarin Oranges				
9	10	11	12	13				
Pepperoni or Cheese (V) Pizza Ham & Cheese Wrap Potato Rounds Stir-Fry Veggies Cinnamon Apples	Crispitos Beef Taco Salad Corn Pinto Beans Sliced Pears	Chicken Tenders w/Roll Ham Sandwich Meal Green Beans Mashed Potatoes Sliced Peaches	Orange Chicken w/Fried Rice Beefy Mac & Cheese Steamed Broccoli Roasted Carrots Applesauce	"Manager's Choice"  Pork Nachos  Corn  Fresh Garden Salad  Mandarin Oranges				
16	17	18	19	20				
Stuffed Crust Cheese Pizza (V) Ham & Cheese Wrap Potato Rounds Stir-Fry Veggies Cinnamon Apples	Crispitos Beef Taco Salad Corn Pinto Beans Sliced Pears	Chicken Tenders w/Roll Ham Sandwich Meal Green Beans Mashed Potatoes Sliced Peaches	"Manager's Choice" BBQ Chicken Sandwich Sweet Potato Fries Corn Applesauce	"Manager's Choice" Teriyaki Chicken Brown Rice Roasted Carrots Steamed Broccoli Mandarin Oranges				
23	24	25	26					
"Manager's Choice" "Manager's Choice"		"Manager's Choice"	Sack Lunches for Elementary & BGIS  Ham & Cheese Sandwich Veggie Dippers Chips Fresh Fruit	* Smucker's PB & Jelly (individually wrapped) Sandwich Meal available every day at the schools that allow peanut butter to be sold.				

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