

# East Sunflower Elementary Newsletter

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**“Equitable Education for Every Student”**

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## Principal's Message

I encourage everyone to make teaching and learning a **PRIORITY** each day at East Sunflower. Not only do we promote the importance of a quality education, we expect our students to be contributing members of our society. By giving, sharing, helping, and sacrificing, our students can make a difference and change the world. Let's teach our children that it is better to **GIVE** than it is to receive and to **GIVE** thanks for their many blessings. In closing, I say to the school's community, **Thanks for Giving** to East Sunflower Elementary!!

### Upcoming Events at ESE

- ◆ 11/9 School Pictures @ 8 A.M.
- ◆ 11/10 Progress Reports will be distributed to students
- ◆ 11/14 Third Grade Parent Meeting @ 12:00 and 5:00 P.M.
- ◆ 11/15 Thanksgiving Lunch @ ESE 11:00 A.M. to 12:45 P.M.
- ◆ 11/15 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Parent Meeting at 5 P.M.
- ◆ 11/16 Pre-K and Kindergarten Meeting at 4 P.M.
- ◆ 11/16 SCCSD School Board Meeting @ 6 P.M. (Central Office)
- ◆ 11/17 331 Celebration 12 to 3 P.M. (The community is invited.)
- ◆ 11/20 – 24 THANKSGIVING BREAK (NO SCHOOL)
- ◆ 11/27 School Health Council & PTO Meeting at 5 P.M.
- ◆ 11/29 Dad's Role in Education 12:30 – 1:30 P.M.

### First Nine Weeks Accelerated Reader Champions



The following students met their A.R. goal and scored 85% or above on A.R. quizzes for the first nine weeks:

#### 2nd Graders

Alexandria Freeman	Gabriel Hartness	Kentavius Hawkins
Jamiilah Holmes	Kendriyana Hoskins	D'Layshia Love
Adrian Murphy	Bryce Reed	Rolincia Richard
Kendarious Smith	Ms. K. Bush AR Champion Teacher	

*Happy Birthday to everyone celebrating a birthday in the month of November.*

1<sup>st</sup> Nine Weeks



Academic Recognition

### Superintendent's List (Students with all A's)

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

Winter Battle  
 Nathan Minton  
 Jacques Nicholson  
 Maggie Tackett

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Rolincia Richard  
 Alexandria Freeman

### Principal's List (Students with all A's and B's)

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

Jaquarius Appleberry  
 Cylan Edwards  
 Cheyenne Howell

Za'nyiah Daniels  
 Kasey Edwards

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Jamiilah Holmes  
 Bryce Reed  
 Jakolbe Winfrey

D'layshia Love  
 Destiny Wallace  
 Jimena Zuniga

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Myrick Lemon  
 Braylon Reed  
 Jalyn Taylor

Vanshawn McKinley  
 Tyler Stovall

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Makara Smith

Jonathan Taylor

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Zavion James

Jamien Mallette

### Honor Roll (Students with all A's, B's and 1 C)

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

Demarrion Conrod

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Karleigh Carpenter  
 Adrian Murphy

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Kylan Appleberry  
 Mikaylah Harris  
 Kaci Tackett

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Tacorri Griham

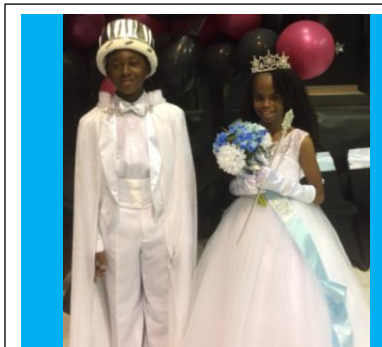
#### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Kenton Hawkins  
 Tatyana Thomas

**\*\*CONGRATULATIONS SCHOLARS!!!\*\***



**Congratulations**  
*Brailen Thomas & Tatyana Thomas*  
**Mr. & Miss East Sunflower Elementary**  
**2017 – 2018**





# Spotlighting Excellence: Sunflowers of the Month



*Brailen Thomas*

*Student*

*Linda Haley*

*Teacher*

*Sarah Bell*

*Staff*

*Desiree Norwood*

*Parent*

## WORDS OF WISDOM FROM THE PARENT LIAISON



*Mrs. Geraldine Ray*

Come and visit our Parent Center at East Sunflower Elementary. Parenting literature and learning tools are available for you and your child. Your presence is always welcome at our workshops. So far, we have had great workshops conducted by spectacular presenters and you definitely don't want to miss out on our upcoming events!

As a reminder, if there are workshops not being held that you are interested in, please don't hesitate to let me know. **I am available on Monday, Wednesday, and alternate Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. I will adjust my schedule upon request.** I also may be reached via email at [gray@sunflower.k12.ms.us](mailto:gray@sunflower.k12.ms.us). Thanks for all that you do! ESE plus you, there's nothing our students can't do.....

*Make learning a family affair!!*

### HELP FOR THOSE IN NEED

When a family becomes homeless, there are two issues that usually occur with the affected children, 1) student attendance decreases and 2) financial situations destroy students' interest in school. The SCCSD recognizes the importance of education for all children and has adopted the McKinney-Vento Homeless Act that addresses the needs of homeless children.

This policy provides assistance for homeless students so that they can continue to be educated despite the challenges they face. If you know families with children who are homeless, please contact the Homeless Liaison at ESE, Geraldine Ray at (662) 569-3137. Your call could be of great assistance to a family in need.



Pictured above are cases of water donated by ESE parents.

### Homecoming Humanitarian Project

As a homecoming service project, pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, and first graders along with their parents collected and donated over 6,000 cases of water and toiletries to recent hurricane victims and local non-profit organizations. Alexander Davis (Mr. Pre-K), Londyn Parker (Miss Pre-K), Ethan Harper (Mr. Kindergarten), Rosilyn Richard (Miss Kindergarten), Cylan Edwards (Mr. 1<sup>st</sup> Grade), and Zaniyah Daniels (Miss 1<sup>st</sup> Grade) contributed the most items during this relief effort. These top donors were featured in the ESE's coronation and Ruleville Central High School's homecoming parade. Thanks for giving ESE!

### Character Word for November

**Grat-i-tude: (Noun) a feeling of appreciation or thanks.**



Pictured above are parent participants sorting donations during the drive.

## In the Spotlight



### CONGRATULATIONS PANTHERS

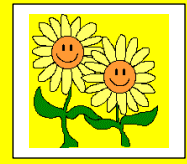
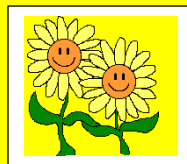


**According to the Mississippi Department of Education  
2016 - 2017 Accountability Score Report,**

**ESE EARNED A 331/C  
HOW ABOUT THAT!**

**"Alone we can do so little;  
together we can do so much." -Helen Keller**

**Empowering Staff, Engaging the Community, & Educating Students**



**Continue to Watch Us Grow!!**