

Inverness Elementary School Newsletter

November 2016

“Committed to Academic Excellence”

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Principal’s Message



It is hard to believe that November is here and the Holiday Season is fast approaching! At Inverness Elementary, we believe that along with Reading and Math, teaching students about helping others in need is equally important. After all, we want all of our students to grow up to become responsible, productive citizens who will help others in our community.

Upcoming Events

- ◆ 11/1 Basketball Home Game @ MMS (5PM)
- ◆ 11/3 Basketball Game @ Moorhead
- ◆ 11/6 Daylight Savings Time Ends
- ◆ 11/8 Election Day
- ◆ 11/9 Basketball Home Game @ MMS (5PM)
- ◆ 11/5 3rd Grade Parent Meeting (6PM)
- ◆ 11/10 Veterans Day Program (1:00 pm)
- ◆ 11/10 PTA/Family Reading Fair Night (5PM)
- ◆ 11/11 Progress Reports
- ◆ 11/16 Thanksgiving Luncheon @ 11AM
- ◆ 11/16 Basketball Home Game @ MMS (5PM)
- ◆ 11/17 Canned Good Project
- ◆ 11/17 Basketball Game @ Drew Hunter (5PM)
- ◆ 11/21-25 Thanksgiving Break (No School)
- ◆ 11/28 Basketball Home Game @ MMS (5PM)
- ◆ 11/30 Basketball Game @ Elzy (5PM)

Reading Fair Boards

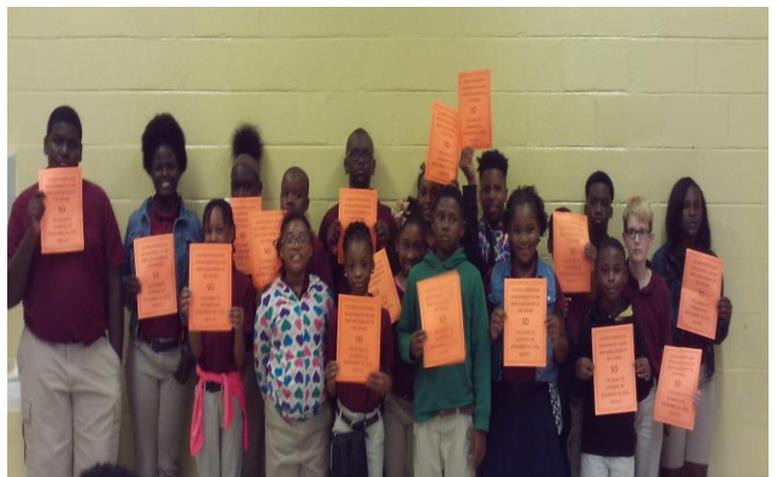
The Sunflower County Consolidated School District is pleased to announce the *Annual District Reading Fair* for Kindergarten through 12th grade. This provides students with an opportunity to share their favorite books (fiction or nonfiction) through story board displays. A successful fair is one in which students enjoy the process of reading, creating a project, and sharing their favorite book – whether individually, with peers, or with family members. By participating in this process, students should experience a deeper enjoyment for reading.

We are asking students to submit their storyboards on *Friday, December 2, 2016.*

Happy Thanksgiving

Congratulations to these students who scored proficient and/or advanced on the state ELA & Math MAP assessments in the spring. They have been awarded a trip to SPINNERS in Cleveland, MS on November 18, 2016.

WAY TO GO !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

November: A Time to Give Thanks

Grat·i·tude: (noun) a feeling of appreciation or thanks. (CHARACTER WORD OF THE MONTH)

Why is teaching and modeling gratitude so important? Being able to recognize and appreciate the good things in your life can lead to increased happiness and life satisfaction. For children especially, learning how to be thankful can help in the development of interpersonal skills, including the 'big' one – empathy.

Naomi Ivory, Counselor



On Wednesday, October 20th, Pre-K to 5th grade students received free helmets from the MS Department of Rehab Helmet Program. Their "Use Your B.R.A.I.N. Helmet Program" encourages children to wear helmets when riding bikes, skate boarding, or any other like activity. The Mississippi Legislature established the Traumatic Brain /Traumatic Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund in 1996. A representative provided a brief presentation and afterward each child was fitted with a helmet.

PROJECT FIT TRAINING

Inverness Elementary School hosted a regional training on Thursday, September 29, 2016, for schools that have received the Project Fit America (PFA) equipment and curriculum funded by the Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi Foundation. Our very own Kelli Bruce facilitated the event which provided instructors with opportunities to learn more about energizing and motivating ways for students to be healthier using the PFA equipment and curriculum.



Parent Liaison Corner

Beverly Gilmore

PTA plays a vital role in our schools. Here are several reasons why you should join:

- Get Connected
- Speak Up
- Watch Yourself Grow
- Give Back
- Effectively Engage

My days at Inverness Elementary School are Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 7:30a.m. to 3:30p.m. My e-mail address is bgilmore@sunflower.k12.ms.us

HOMELESS STUDENTS

In many cases, when a family becomes homeless one result is that the children stop attending school. The SCCSD recognizes the importance of education to all children and has policy 501.7 that addresses the needs of homeless children.

This policy provides a process for homeless students to continue to be educated despite the challenges they face. Should you become aware of families who are homeless and it appears the children are not attending school, please contact the school. Your call could be of great assistance to these families.



Breast Cancer Awareness