

# Inverness Elementary School Newsletter

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“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 Daylight Savings Ends
- ◆ 11/2 Basketball Game (Home)
- ◆ 11/3 Election Day
- ◆ 11/4 Basketball Game (Home)
- ◆ 11/5 PTA Meeting @ 5:30pm
- ◆ 11/5 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Parent Meeting (6PM)
- ◆ 11/6 1st Nine Weeks Award Program (1PM)
- ◆ 11/11 Veterans Day Program (1:30 pm)
- ◆ 11/11 Basketball Game @ Merritt
- ◆ 11/12 Canned Good Project
- ◆ 11/13 Progress Reports
- ◆ 11/18 Family Reading Fair Night (6PM)
- ◆ 11/18 Thanksgiving Dinner
- ◆ 11/19 Basketball Game (Home)
- ◆ 11/23-27 Thanksgiving Break (No School)

Happy  
Thanksgiving

## Reading Fair Boards

The Sunflower County Consolidated School District is pleased to announce the *Annual District Reading Fair* for Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> 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 **Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup>**.

Congratulations to Mrs. Stapleton’s 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Class for Perfect Attendance for the month of October. They will receive a pizza party for their perfect attendance. Also, thanks to the parents for your help to ensure students attend school and arrive on time.



## **PTA**

President LaJuana Long, Treasurer Daisy Rick, and Secretary Tiffany Sibley encourage you to get involved with the Inverness Elementary School PTA. This is an awesome group of parents who work hard to augment our school budget. The PTA raises money to fund many projects as well as providing money for teaching materials, special programs, assemblies, and worthwhile things for our kids. If you have not been involved, I encourage you to attend the next meeting, which will be Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm in the IES Cafeteria.

## **ACCELERATED READER**

Our Accelerated Reader Program enables our students to acquire **additional** accelerated reader books in the classroom or during library sessions each week. With accelerated reader books our students test their knowledge and comprehension of the book by answering multiple-choice questions on the computer. Students then earn points based on answers correct. Please read with and encourage your child to read nightly.

## **COUNSELOR'S CORNER**

### **November: A Time to Give Thanks**

Grat·i·tude: (noun) a feeling of appreciation or thanks.

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.



## **Parent Liaison Corner**

### **Beverly Gilmore**

Staying connected is essential for students to learn and be happy in and out of school!

Please utilize our email, REMIND or newsletter to stay informed about what is happening at school. Staying aware of what is happening at school could impact the learning of your child. Research shows that students with involved parents are socially more adjusted and academically more successful. Thank you for the support you provide both in and out of the classroom. It truly makes all the difference.

I hope you enjoy the month of November!

### **How do I Get Involved?**

You can reinforce the importance of school if you:

- Speak positively about your child's teachers and counselors.
- Talk to your child about the benefits of education.
- Make sure your child/children get to school on time.
- Attend open house and parent-teacher conferences.
- Answer notes and calls from your child's teacher.

IES will be selling LA-TEE-DA/Celebrating Home Candles from now until November 30th. The order forms for the candles, as well as a brochure detailing the options will be given to each student. All candles are \$10. We are asking each student to sell at 10 candles. The money from this fundraiser will be used to help purchase end of the year incentives for our students. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Naomi Fant-Ivory at [nfant@sunflower.k12.ms.com](mailto:nfant@sunflower.k12.ms.com) or 265-0061.