

# DeBusk Elementary School

April Issue

## Braves Bulletin

Amazing things are happening at our school

8th Graders who participated in the Andrew Johnson Women's Club poetry and short story contest.



Poetry Winners

2nd Daniel Croy,

3rd Becca Cox,

Honorable mention  
Story Hensley

1st place Justin Lane,

2nd place Abby King,

3rd place Cody Cutshaw,

Honorable Mention Megan Tipton.

### DOJO DAY



Boys and Girls Club read to our school



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### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

APRIL 7TH - SCHOOL DANCE TIL 4:30

NO SCHOOL APRIL 14-17TH

April 18th

8th and K

Cap and Gown

PreK-8th

Class Pictures

April 28th

County Art Show @  
Doak from 4-8pm



## NOTES FROM THE NURSE

### Immunizations

Its spring! The time of year when all immunization records are being checked for next school year. Pre K, K, and 6 graders are the grades that require shot updates. Every sixth grader received a letter about immunizations. This is just a reminder about the requirements going into the seventh grade. Most of you have already sent in documentation and I would like to say Thank you. If you have any doubts or questions about the vaccines due please feel free to call me at 638-4442.

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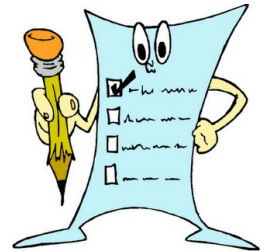
## ASK POLLY

### Four Tips to Alleviate Test Anxiety

Test anxiety can affect us at any age, but children in elementary school are especially likely to be anxious about test taking. Whether it's a standardized test or one made by a teacher, there are a few things you can do to help your child or students avoid anxiety when facing a big test.

1. Allow adequate study time.
2. Make sure they get enough sleep.
3. Teach them to read the directions.
4. Reassure them.

These four simple steps can go a long way towards easing your child's anxiety on test day. Just don't forget to remind them: all that matters is that they do their best!



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### Community Service Club-

It all started with one lesson in Social Studies. The teacher taught a lesson on the “Haves” and the “Have Nots” during the time of Rockefeller, Morgan, Carnegie, etc. Students wrote a reflection at the end of the lesson and the teacher shared with the next class the responses anonymously. Some of the reflection were about personal struggles. Several students decided that they wanted to help in some way. They came to me and asked permission to help others. We talked in general about how some families struggle in our schools even that in Greene County we have families who are homeless. This small group of five students collaborated and came up with ideas for project that would allow students to raise money. They came up with having hat days and raising money with chain links. Students raised almost a \$100 with the first hat day. Education is important but what joy to be able to have students becoming active citizens in their own school community.

# PTO NEWS

At our last meeting, we tied up the loose ends to finish out this school year. One thing we discussed for next year is revamping how PTO will connect with parents. One new thing is we will do quarterly meetings, more info coming soon Also we will rely on Dojo, our Facebook page, and this newsletter to post our current events. Please if your not signed up for our Facebook come join us at Debusk PTO. So here we are at the last nine weeks! Spring is everywhere. Just hold on summer is coming.



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## The Greene County Art Show

Friday, April 28th

From 4pm to 8pm

Doak Elementary School

Free to everyone



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## *Library News*



I want to thank everyone for collecting box tops this year. As a school, we have earned over \$500.00 for the library. This money has been used for book supplies, AR reward, and books. Please keep sending them in! A special thanks for our Granny Mrs. Hallie, she has counted and bagged them for me this year. She has saved me hours of time.

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2	3 Welcome Back!!	4 PreK registration begins	5	6	7 Softball Dance til 4:30	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 No School-Good Friday	15
16	17 No School PD Day for Staff	18 8th and K Cap and Gown Class Pictures Band Pictures	19	20	21 Out of zone applica- tions are available in the office.	22
23	24	25	26	27 PreK to Wallabies	28 1st Grade to Wallabies County Art Show @ Doak from 4-8pm	29
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