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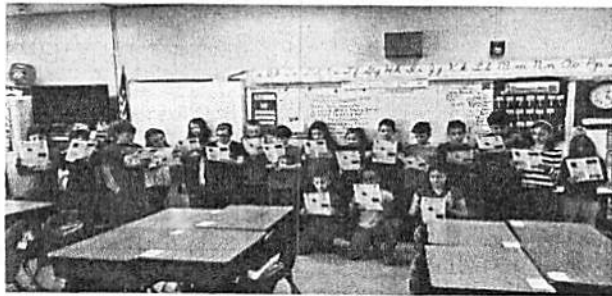
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Survey Makers

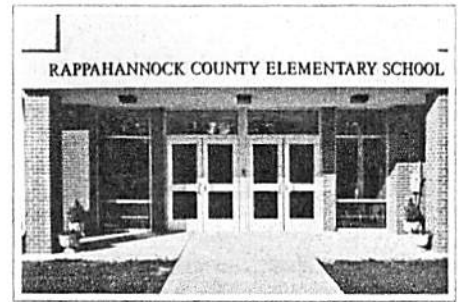


This month in computer classes students are conducting surveys focusing on a variety of topics. Students are entering the survey data into an Excel spreadsheet then creating a bar graph or pie chart. When charts are complete, classes will analyze and compare their results.



Young writers

In 3rd grade, students are provided the opportunity to write about what is important to them and share this information in a newspaper produced in collaboration with students and teachers. Topics are developed through research, and collaboration with friends to provide illustrations or photographs to accompany the article. Students are excited when their writing is published and they can read their friends' literary contributions.



Upcoming Events

February 5

PTO meeting @ 6:30-RCES library

February 19

Presidents' Day-No school for students

March 1

Parent teacher conferences-
12:00 dismissal

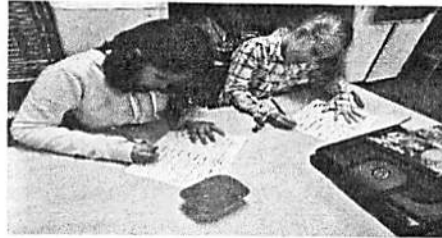
Build the habit of good attendance early

- Set a regular bed time and morning routine.
 - Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before.
 - Don't let your child stay home unless he/she is truly sick.
 - If your child seems anxious about going to school, talk to teachers, school counselors, or other parents on how to make him/her feel comfortable and excited about learning.
 - Develop back-up plans for getting to school if something comes up.
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More Important News

Fourth Grade Mathematicians

Fourth grade students spent the beginning of January studying decimals. Our fourth graders learned how to identify, read, write, represent, round, compare, order, add, and subtract decimals. Fourth graders Lily Grimsley, Alexia Howard, Emma Matthews, and Carmen Pond are pictured below working with decimals. To complete this activity, they had to round special place value dice to generate a five digit number. Then, the students worked with a partner to round their number to a given place.



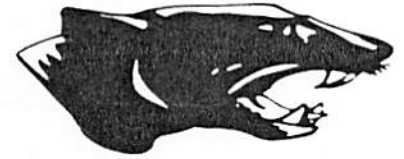
What I'm made of



RCES sixth graders have been focusing on learning literacy and communication skills through technology. Students completed a science research project through Google Docs, learning how to organize information and then complete a bibliography of their sources. They gave an oral presentation of their findings to their science classes, successfully blending written and oral communication! After so much informative writing, students finished out the semester writing a poem called "What I'm Made Of," inserting hyperlink images in their text to attach images to their words, enhancing meaning for the reader.

100th day celebration!

Last week, students in kindergarten and 1st grade celebrated the 100th day of school. Kindergarten students created 100th day projects at home to share with their class. Mrs. Beard's class made 100th day shirts. First grade continued their tradition of dressing up as 100 year old people. All classes read books and participated in 100th day activities.



Counselor's Corner

Team Building Day at RCES

Friday, February 2nd

The Olweus Bullying Prevention Team

