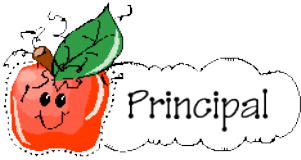




# Knighly News



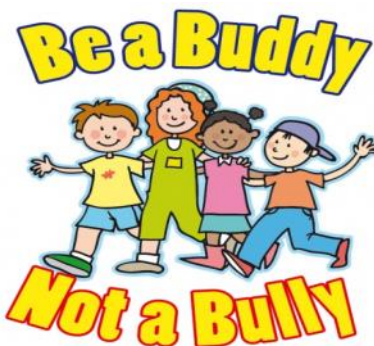
## Message From The Principal: Tracy Wainwright

Wow! It's hard to believe we are nearing the end of the first nine weeks of school! I am so proud of our teachers, staff, parents, and students for working so hard to make sure this is the best year yet!

Parents, I want to take this opportunity to remind you that our attendance matrix is on pages 5 & 6 in the student handbook/ agenda. Having your child at school on time each day is essential to their academic success. We are working really hard to keep you informed of how many absences and tardies your child has so you will not be caught off guard by any letters or actions. Thank you for understanding these necessary policies.

Parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for the week of October 21<sup>st</sup>. Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup> is designated for evening conferences from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Please plan to attend a conference to discuss your child's academic strengths and weaknesses, specific grade level standards, concerns or questions you may have about the curriculum, and/or strategies that you can use at home to support your child in meeting his/her academic goals. We look forward to seeing you throughout the week!

October is National Bullying Prevention Month. Throughout the month of October, guidance counselors will provide classroom guidance sessions to discuss ways to prevent bullying. We will emphasize the importance of using kind words and actions as we educate and raise awareness of bullying prevention.



## Kindergarten



### Kindergarten News (Class of 2032)-

It is hard to believe that the first nine weeks is just about over! September has been a great month for Kindergarten. We have enjoyed learning about different careers, friendships, and being a scientist. We will continue working on sight words, counting objects to 30, letters, and letter sounds.

Thank you to all of the grandparents who attended our Grandparents' Day breakfast on September 4. We appreciate your attendance and the students enjoyed showing off their school. You made it such a special day!

We have a lot of fun things happening during the month of October. In social studies, we will be learning about where we are in the world. In math, we will be finishing up Unit 1 and beginning a unit on 2D/3D shapes. Science has us learning about our 5 senses, and then we will begin to investigate living and non-living things. In ELA (Language), we are still working on our letters and letter sounds.

We are also practicing how to write letters.

Please work with your students every night, practicing sight words and reading take home readers.



### First Grade News (Class of 2031)-

Please continue to review the rules and expected behaviors with your 1st grader. First graders are working very hard on learning how to put letters and sounds together to make words. For reading, read for at least 10 minutes and review sight words nightly. We have a spelling test each Friday. Make sure to study the spelling pattern for the week. In science, our first graders will begin learning about sound and how sound is made. In social studies, we are learning about historical figures in American history and their contributions to today's society. In math, we are beginning our 2nd unit about place value. In October, we will start by looking at equations with three addends (9+2+1). We will also start working on decomposing a number to help us solve a problem. For example, 7+6. I can break up 6 into 3 and 3, so I can give 7, 3 to make it a "easy number" 10. I will then have 3 left over to make 10+3. 7+6=10+3. Lastly, we will start with subtracting with double digits (15 - 9).

### Upcoming Events:

#### Bully Prevention Month

- 10/1: 2nd Grade PTO Program
- 10/2: National Custodian Appreciation Day
- 10/3: Homecoming Parade
- 10/4: End of 1st 9 Weeks Homecoming PTO Spirit Sales PBIS 9 wks Incentive
- 10/7-11: Fall Break
- 10/14: Student Holiday/ Professional Learning Day
- 10/15-11/1: Pennies for Patients
- 10/17: Community Curriculum Knight Civic Center 5:00-7:00PM
- 10/18: Duct Tape Administrator PTO Fall Carnival 5:00-7:00 PM
- 10/21-25: Parent/Teacher Conference Week
- 10/24: Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-6:00 PM
- 11/1: Book Character Parade Bus Reward Fun Friday



## Second Grade News (Class of 2030)-

Second grade is phenomenal! Our students are learning many new skills. The reading program is in full swing and students are learning to apply spelling patterns and word-solving skills each week. This reading instruction will help students expand their reading and writing expertise. In reading, we are focusing on text features in non-fiction books and parts of a story in fiction books. In math, students have learned the place and value of three digit numbers. In social studies, we have learned about our government and are beginning to learn about the 5 regions of our state, as well as the important rivers in Georgia. In science, we have learned all about the sun, moon, and Earth. We have also learned about night and day. Remember to read each day. As always, thank you for all that you do to ensure that your child is ready and prepared for school each day!



## Storybook Character Parade

Our annual storybook character parade will be held on **November 1**. Students will be allowed to dress as their favorite storybook character and will be able to participate in the most exciting parade ever! Students should not wear masks or carry weapons. We would love for your child to carry his/her favorite book also, **but it is not required**.



To encourage the love of reading, visit the **TumbleBooks** link on our school webpage under student services.

Username: **upsonlee**

Password: **reads**

To enjoy some great ebooks, visit **My Capstone Library** on our school webpage under student services.

Username: **upsonprimary**

Password: **school**



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## 2nd Grade Knights of Honor

Back row: Cheyenne Nipp, Kensley Wheelless, Jacey Bishop, Jordan Sinclair, Eden Thompson

Middle Row: Edwin Osorio-Ruiz, Addison Henry, Mariah Smith, Mira Darville

Front Row: Elton Kirby, Ariana Walker, Avery-Claire Matthews, Krishna Patel

## News from Title I

**Michele Daniel, Title I Parent Coordinator**  
**706-646-9405    mdaniel@upson.k12.ga.us**

**What is Title I?** Title I is the largest federally funded program for primary, elementary, middle, and high schools. Through Title I, money is given to school districts based on the number of low-income families in the schools. All of our schools are Title I since we meet this criteria. We use this money to provide extra services for at risk children, to provide more teachers to reduce classroom size, and to provide more resources for our students and parents. The focus of the Title I program is helping **all** students meet the same high standards.

**Parents have an important role in Title I** and should be partners with the school in helping all students achieve. What can you do? You have the right to:

- \***BE INVOLVED** with the planning of the parent involvement program. We want your input and help. (Attend input meetings, fill out input sheets, participate in surveys, be part of the parent advisory, etc.) We implement changes based upon the results of surveys and your input.
- \***READ** your child's progress reports and attend meetings where you can see our school's progress and the data that determines our goals.
- \***REQUEST** information about the professional qualifications of your child's teacher.
- \*Help **DECIDE** if Title I is meeting your child's needs and offer suggestions for improvement.
- \***ATTEND** Title I parent workshops where you can learn how to better support your child's learning.
- \*Help **DEVELOP** our school's plans for how parents and schools can work together.

Opportunities coming up:

**Family Night at the Civic Center** – October 17, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

**Fall Carnival** – October 18, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

**Parent/Teacher Conferences** – October 24, 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Look for more information to be sent home with your child.

# CAMP

Greetings from CAMP!!! We are all enjoying our CAMP classes and our students are getting into a routine. In music, our second graders are working on their PTO program to be presented on Oct. 1st at 6:00. The theme is soccer and the title is GOAL! You don't want to miss it!! Our first graders are working on learning their program to be presented later. They are integrating social studies standards with patriotic music, and it's going to be a great program!! Kindergarten musicians are working on voice types and keeping a steady beat. In media art, the kindergartners are exploring the iPad using the alphabet. First graders are enjoying the Chromebooks and using technology for learning many concepts. Second graders are enjoying media arts again this year and will be doing some really cool projects in the near future. In visual arts, our kindergartners are exploring color by painting rainbows, and first graders are painting and learning primary and secondary colors. Our second graders are exploring color by learning about the intermediate colors and how to use them. In PE, the students have started this year off by working on the foundational skills of throwing and kicking. They will follow up this unit with various whole group games that include these skills, which will give our students an opportunity to practice what they have learned. In coding, Kindergarten is learning how to drag and drop using the trackpad on the Chromebook and the location of the letters on the keyboard. Second grade will get to experience the STAR Lab where they will build on what they have learned in social studies about Native Americans. They will see the constellations and hear some of the Native American stories and beliefs. We will also view the orbit of the moon. First and second grade have also been learning about algorithms and how all computers are made of hardware and software.




We are excited to announce that our school is participating in the Reading For Education program. Your student will soon bring home an envelope with the words "Parents Please Help Us" across the top. Please take 10 minutes to complete the materials in the envelope and return them to school. That is all you have to do for your student to earn a small prize and our school to earn money. Our school will earn 50 cents for each mailable postcard. So, please make sure each address is as correct as possible. Find out more about this program at <http://www.readingforeducation.com/rfe.html>

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### Thank you for your help and support !

Please note, our school does not receive funds from magazines, etc. that may be purchased by family members or friends. However, if two or more people place an order, then your child will receive a free t-shirt.

Student (First) (Last) Grade <b>SAM</b> <b>Russell</b> <b>3</b>		Dear <b>GRANDMA</b>
Your School 123 Elementary Lane Primary, US 45678		Please sponsor me in our Reading For Education program. You become my sponsor when you order from the enclosed brochure. You save money with the special school prices and you help me earn a "Glow-In-The-Dark" Minion shirt. When 2 items are ordered by the deadline, I get my free shirt on Prize Day. Thank you for being my sponsor.
0000123456	Circle student's shirt size (Do Not Choose One Size Larger.)	From: <b>SAM</b> P.S. <b>I LOVE YOU</b>
Mail To: <b>Betty Baxter</b> Name: <b>123 South St.</b> Address: <b>Nashville</b> ST: <b>TN</b> Zip: <b>37211</b>		
Order Online at <a href="http://myschoolorders.com">myschoolorders.com</a> (Turn over for mail order form)		



**Kindergarten Knights of Honor**

Back row: Kinsley Walker, Hunter Finely, Ja'Kylie Perdue, Kaylee Wyche, Carson Daniel

Middle Row: Reese Hammond, Liam McDonald, Calley Knight, Eva Peppers, Jackson Haynes

Front Row: Maddie Berryhill, Logan Gonzalez, Dakota Spoon



**1<sup>st</sup> Grade Knights of Honor**

Back row: Jaycee Corley, Jackson Spraggins, Keyon Jones, Wyatt Bridges, J'Kyan Gray

Middle Row: Athena Lewis, Isabella King, Denver Brunelle, Thomas Hobbs

Front Row: Kasen Coker, Jacob Simpkins, Bailey Canady, Zoey Norris