

Counselor's Corner

April, 2018



When is Classroom Guidance this month?

Your child has classroom guidance with me once a month where they are taught core values through character education. This month your child will be learning all about how to be a flexible learner. Be sure to talk with your child nightly to see what strategies they have learned to help them develop this valuable characteristic. I will also be teaching the character ed. word over the morning video announcements. Please be sure to visit our website for a link to view them. Click the student tab and you will see morning announcements. Enjoy!

"Flexibility"

Flexibility is our character ed. term for the month of March. Flexibility means being open to new ideas, adjusting to new situations, dealing with changes in our routines, and figure out how to complete new and different school assignments.

Flexibility allows children to switch gears and look at things differently.

If you'd like info. or short video clips, you can find some here:

<https://youtu.be/LTryB55xbbY>

<https://youtu.be/G7SM5xA6KfU>

Jefferson Elementary

During the months of March and April, I will be teaching several career lessons to 1st and 2nd graders. On March 26th we had a First Grade Career presentation on Law and Public Safety. We had the Jackson County Sheriff, Janice Mangum come and talk about her job.

She also brought her K-9 dog, Deputy Tess, and the students were able to see inside her police car. For our

Career Cluster, Transportation and Distribution, we had Mr. Perry, a UPS driver, come and teach us about driving and delivering packages for UPS. Both of these presentations were very informative and the students

learned a lot.



Dragon Dash

Our Dragon Dash was a huge success. Thank you so much for all your hard work. The past years, PTO has been able to purchase our tablets, Mimeo Boards, electronic sign out front, LLI Kits, playground equipment, and the parent pavilion outside the lunchroom-just to name a few. The money we raised this year will be used to help update the media center, put the film on the lunchroom windows, and purchase new computers. Thanks for all your donations and hard work to make this event so amazing!



Second Grade Career Lessons

Our career presentations for 2nd graders this month will include Broadway Arts-Cathy Skidmore, Dr. Tradd Harter, DMD, and Mrs. Lavinia Conley. Mrs. Conley will be teaching us from our Education and Training career cluster. She is an author and illustrator of her very own book that she is going to read to us and donate to our media center. Dr. Harter will be teaching us from our Health Science career cluster. He is an orthodontist in Watkinsville who is going to demonstrate dental health. Mrs. Cathy Skidmore from Broadway Arts Dance studio will be teaching us from our Art career cluster. She will be leading and performing a very special dance for us. We are so very excited and can't wait to learn from all of these wonderful professionals!



Student Referrals

For individual students, you are welcome to send them to my office, but I could be with a student or out of the room. You might prefer to shoot me an email. If you think a student could be in danger, please text or call me at 706-614-0904.



Behavior Rewards:

The students are loving the character ed. awards at the end of the month. Each month the winner will receive a certificate, a token, and a small prize. Please continue to encourage students to model the character ed. terms of the month:

August: Respect

September: Perseverance

October: Caring

November: Responsibility

December: Generosity

January: Citizenship

February: Kindness

March: Honesty

Students can also earn the privilege of being a guest on the morning video announcements!

They will feel like celebrities.

Available Resources for Students in Need:

NOW weekend food

Dragon Snacks

School uniforms

Jackets

Underwear and Socks

Backpacks

