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In Our Classrooms

Pritchardville first-graders took part in the second annual tree planting ceremony, thanks to the hard work and dedication of Mr. Ted Goudeau and the generosity of Sodexo. Planting the flowering cherry tree in the courtyard at Pritchardville Elementary proved to be such a memorable experience in 2011 that the school's educators and administrators requested that it become an annual event. Mr. Goudeau worked closely with the educators and administration to carefully select the location and species of tree that would be planted. After thoughtfully selecting the sight and tree that would best serve the needs of the school, Mr. Goudeau prepared the location where the tree would be planted
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Important Events

- **Tuesday, May 29 5th grade trip to BLMS**
- **Friday, June 1 Jean Day \$1, Kindergarten Awards Ceremony 11:15, School Carnival**
- **Monday, June 4**
Rescheduled 3rd grade field trip
- **Tuesday, June 5**

Next Year's Registration Forms due, Awards Assembly grades 1 through 5, Volunteer Luncheon

- **Wednesday, June 6** Pre-K moving up ceremony, \$1 Jean Day
- **Thursday, June 7** 5th grade Moving Up Ceremony 9am, Kindergarten Moving Up Ceremony 10:30 am, Report Cards go home, Early Dismissal is at 12:30 pm

Carnival Reminders

Students that sign up for Virtual Summer School by Wednesday

May 30th will receive **Four**

Free Tickets for the Carnival.

All fees have to be paid in order to attend the carnival.

How Was the Money Spent?

Thank you to our PTO!

There were quite a few fundraisers this year and the money that the PTO raised benefitted the students of Pritchardville. The students and staff would like to take this time to thank the parents that were able to participate in the fundraisers. We were able to use the money for :

1. Our Sea Turtle Mascot Costume, Incentives for Sammy's Reading Challenge, Teacher Appreciation Luncheon, Books
2. Kindles for the Classroom, Bounce Houses for the Carnival
3. Christmas Gifts for students that made the MAP Projected Goal on the MAP test, There were also requests for classrooms that were satisfied and many more items were purchased.

School Carnival Schedule

Grade	Grade level games	Water Works	Lunch
AM Pre-K	9:00- 9:30	9:30 -10:00	
Kinder	9:30 – 10:00	9:00 – 9:30	10:30 – 11:00
1 st	10:00 – 10:45	10:45 – 11:30	11:30 – 12:00
2 nd	10:45 – 11:30	10:00 – 10:45	11:30 – 12:00
3 rd	11:30 – 12:15	12:15 – 1:00	11:00- 11:30
4 th	12:15 – 1:00	11:30 – 12:15	11:00 – 11:30
5 th	1:00 – 1:30	1:30 – 2:30	12:00 – 12:30
PM Pre-K and Kinder	1:30 – 2:15	1:00 – 1:30	

“We are Great and Getting Greater!”

Annual Report to Parents 2012

Math Spring MAP Mean Averages

This has been a really great year and we have cause to be proud of our students and our school community. Therefore, I wanted to list the truly fantastic things that give promise to the fact that Pritchardville Elementary is great and getting greater.

Academics

Our 2011 PASS results indicated that we were identified as being as an average school. We met 24 out of 25 objectives on the test. We missed the designation as a “Good” school by .03 of a point. The Reading MAP test indicated the percentage of students that were “On Grade Level” (OGL) and the chart below describes the school and district results.

OGL Reading	Spring--PVES	Spring District Average
Kindergarten	84%	80.40%
1st Grade	86%	73.60%
2nd Grade	72%	65.70%
3rd Grade	76%	75.60%
4th Grade	84%	73.10%
5th Grade	80%	75.60%

Reading Spring MAP Mean Averages

Grade Level	PVES Mean Score	District Mean Score	National Mean Score
Kindergarten	164.5	163.2	157.7
1st Grade	182.6	179.6	179.9
2nd Grade	192.2	189.9	189.6
3rd Grade	201.9	201.2	199.2
4th Grade	211.9	208.4	206.7
5th Grade	214.8	213.7	212.3

Mean Growth Results from the Spring Reading MAP Test

- *Kinder: Average growth was + 17.2 pts.*
- *1st grade: Average growth was + 16.1 pts.*
- *2nd grade: Average growth was + 16.2 pts.*
- *3rd grade Average growth was + 11.8 pts.*
- *4th grade Average growth was + 10.4 pts.*
- *5th grade Average was + 5 pts*

Results from the Reading MAP Test

Grade Level	PVES Mean Score	District Mean Score	National Mean Score
Kindergarten	165.4	164.5	159.1
1st Grade	184.8	182.3	179
2nd Grade	195.2	194.4	191.3
3rd Grade	207	207.6	203.1
4th Grade	220.6	217.2	212.5
5th Grade	227.2	226.1	221

- *Kinder Average RIT growth was + 16.4 pts*
- *1st grade Average RIT growth was + 15.6 pts*
- *2nd grade Average RIT growth was + 15.1 pts*
- *3rd grade Average RIT growth was + 11.4 pts*
- *4th grade Average RIT growth was + 12.4 pts*
- *5th grade Average RIT growth was + 9.3 pts*

Special Recognitions

- Pritchardville was .03 points away from being identified as “Good” on our school report card.
- Pritchardville was awarded the Palmetto Silver Award for Academic Achievement.
- River of Words: Our students had 8 students published in the book of poetry.
- One of our staff members received the Palmetto Electric Bright Ideas Grant.
- Two of our teachers, Mrs. Bostick and Mrs. Montgomery were awarded Educational Foundation Grants.
- The Okatie Rotary Club partnered with Payless shoe store for their Happy Feet program to bring shoes to 35 families.
- The 2nd Annual Sea Turtle Dance raised \$1814.00 to be used for the PVES.

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- We established a partnership with the Okatie Rotary Club, who purchased dictionaries for our classrooms.
 - We have continued our partnership with Champions group for mentors.
 - Established a partnership with TD Bank.
 - Diamond Dell came to Pritchardville for the second year.
 - 1 teacher completed their Gifted and Talented (GT) endorsement classes, 1 teacher completing GT endorsement.
 - 2 teachers working towards National Boards.
 - 4 teachers pursuing their Masters Degree.
 - This was our second year of PBIS, and our 1st year of evaluation.
 - We implemented “Sammy’s Reading Challenge,” as our take home reading program.
 - Read Across America Week included a door decorating competition in honor of Dr. Seuss, and featured a local author Jonathan Miller.
 - Our first year housing the Advanced Math Engineering and Science Academy (A.M.E.S) which included showcase nights and morning meetings called the A.M.E.S. Café.
 - Field trips this year include Kindergarten going to the pumpkin patch, 3rd grade AMES visited the Charleston Aquarium and Robotics Challenge, 4th Grade AMES visited the South Carolina State Museum and Challenger Learning Center, 5th Grade AMES visited the Citadel in Charleston.
 - Students competed in *Word Masters* and *Continental Math League*
 - Pritchardville had several Duke-TIP scholars.
 - 5th Grade AMES competed to create and design a billboard for the new restaurant Kickin Chicken, as part of an advertising unit.
 - 4th and 5th grade participated in Junior Achievement
 - K-2 implemented an engineering infused curriculum which will expand to all grade levels.
 - Kindergarten planned a successful *Thanksgiving Friendship Feast* and well as Christmas cookie decorating.
 - Our first graders participated with our annual Green the Campus Campaign.
 - Second grade took swim lessons.
 - Third grade was able to participate in a video conference session with NASA.
 - Pritchardville featured a school wide garage sale.
 - Our school health initiative included “Walk to School Day,” Jump Rope for Heart Health, and we were recognized as a Bronze School for Healthier America. Mr. Johnson visited the White House to receive the award.
 - Service learning projects include: Kindergarten collecting box tops, 3rd Grade partnered with the Humane Society for a pet wall, 4th grade’s recycling club, 5th Grade sponsored “Where in the World is Sammy?”
 - Student council participated in *Toys for Tots*, a canned food drive (collecting 1050 cans for *Bluffton Self-Help*), and candygrams from the *Chocolate Tree*.
 - Students participated in an afterschool program to work on math and reading.
 - Pritchardville offered an art, chorus, dance, and running club.
 - Palmetto Assessment of State Standards or PASS Push was continued to focus on RIT Bands and to meet skills. This was a K-5 initiative.
 - Pritchardville housed robotics camp for students.
 - Sammy the Sea Turtle costume was debuted.
 - 1st Annual District Technology Showcase was housed at Pritchardville.
 - School wide participation in World Math’s Day.
 - Heroes on Horseback was provided for our Special Needs Students.
 - Families participated in *Bring Your Parents to School Day*.
 - Pritchardville was recognized as a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified facility.
 - The 1st Annual Sea Turtle 5k run raised funds to go to *United Way Foundation*
 - The 1st Annual school Carnival raised \$4462.00, \$2215.00 in profits used to purchase books.
 - **This has been a great second year!**



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and ensured proper irrigation would satisfy the needs of the tree.

The planting of the cherry tree has become the cornerstone event in the school's Green the Campus Campaign. The Green the Campus Campaign provides students the opportunity to participate in projects that enhance the school's environment such as recycling, planting flower beds and keeping the campus clean. As students watch the tree grow, they will also discover how the tree will contribute to energy efficiency by providing shade during the hot, sunny days of spring in South Carolina.

Leading up to the tree planting ceremony, first graders at Pritchardville studied plant life, conservation of natural resources and agricultural engineering. The integrated curriculum enabled students to learn about the world around them in multiple content areas. Combining engineering, writing, reading, mathematics, science and social studies, students learned about plant needs, life cycles, edible plant parts, habitats and the conservation of natural resources.

Over the next four years, students will be able to watch their tree grow and change throughout the seasons. A plaque has been placed beside the tree indicating the year the tree was planted. Planting the tree would not have been possible without the hard work of Mr. Goudeau or the support of Sodexo and its donors. We are thankful for the opportunity to partner with Sodexo and look forward to continuing our annual tradition in years to come.

