### **School Achievements**

Ms. Quarles received her National Board Certification; Mr. Truitt and Mr. Metts received their Masters in Ed. Leadership; Mr. Chappell and Mrs. Berg both received Grants from the North Augusta Cultural Arts Council; Mrs. Spieker received an SRNS Innovative Teaching Mini Grant; and Mrs. Spieker and Mr. Truitt received an SRR STAR Grant. Mrs. Berg was Mossy Creek's Teacher of the Year and was on the Aiken County Teacher of the Year Honor Court, and Mrs. Lester was Mossy Creek's Employee of the Year.

**Emily Bee** won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the American Legion Essay Contest; Keiri Mackie won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the American Legion Essay Contest. Celebration of Character Winners are Michael Johnson, 1<sup>st</sup> grade, Jagger Riley, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, Kayla Evans, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, Ethan Charles, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, Madelyn Gallam, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, Eliyana Brown, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, and Karrington Sullivan, 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Haddassah Hedman and Morgan Fox qualified for the Gateway Program in Art; Alissa Lilly qualified for the Gateway Program in Art and Dance; Cameron Cook and Lauren **Cook** qualified for the Gateway program in Music; and Natavia Crawford won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Mossy Creek Spelling Bee and was first runner up in the Area 2 Aiken County Spelling Bee.

We are proud of our staff and our students for these outstanding accomplishments!

# Mossy Creek SIC Members

Chair: Ashlie Fortson, Parent Vice Chair: Theresa Spieker, Teacher Secretary: Dede Scott, Teacher

> Lisa Carroll, Parent Mary Riley, Parent Tabatha Mihoulides, Teacher Scott Holcomb, Teacher Mary Head, Community Tom Rogers, Community Heather Curry, Parent Suzanne Gunn, Teacher Ashley Watkins, Teacher Stephanie Hammond, Principal

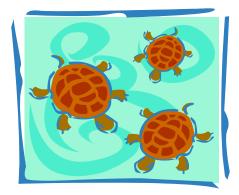
#### **Purpose of the Report**

This Report is issued by the Mossy Creek School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.

## Mossy Creek Elementary School Title I School

**Motivating Children Every Day** 

Annual School Improvement Council Report to the Parents 2012-2013



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The mission of Mossy Creek Elementary School is to give all students a quality education by focusing on student learning and standards based activities to prepare them to become productive citizens and lifelong learners.

## **SIC Annual Goals**

1. By Spring 2014, 90% of students in ELA and 85% of students in Math will score at Met or Exemplary level on state testing.

A Curriculum Coach was hired to assist in the alignment of curriculum to the Common Core State Standards and best practices teaching to improve student achievement. School wide writing was implemented across the curriculum in all grades. A math tutor was hired to work with students based on MAP and PASS scores. These scores show improvement.

2. By Spring 2014, 100% of Mossy Creek teachers will maintain highly qualified status.

Staff development was provided for improving math instruction and implementing Common Core standards. Teachers participated in book studies and best practices observations. One hundred percent of Mossy Creek's teachers are highly qualified.

3. By Spring 2014, 86% of stakeholders will indicate satisfaction with the learning environment, social and physical environment, and school-home relations as measured by the state report card.

School wide surveys were sent home to parents in the spring of 2013 to measure progress. Teachers, students, and parents indicated satisfaction at the rate of 87.9%.

## **Student Achievement**

Mossy Creek received an A Rating on the Federal Accountability Report for 2012.

Mossy Creek was rated Average in both the Absolute and Improvement Categories on the South Carolina School Report Card.

Mossy Creek students continue to show gains in all administrations of the MAPS tests. Every grade experienced a score gain in the Winter Administration.

South Carolina PASS Data for Mossy Creek:

ELA	Mossy Creek	<b>District</b>
$3^{rd}$	80	79.2
$4^{\text{th}}$	73	77.5
$5^{\text{th}}$	70	74.1
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Math	Mossy Creek	District
3 <sup>rd</sup>	74	69.3
$4^{\text{th}}$	60	74.8
$5^{\text{th}}$	72	68.5
Science	Mossy Creek	District
3 <sup>rd</sup>	57	55.6
$4^{\text{th}}$	54	69.2
$5^{\text{th}}$	61	64.5
Social Studies	Mossy Creek	District
3 <sup>rd</sup>	64	68.2
$4^{\text{th}}$	70	77.1
$5^{\text{th}}$	62	65.3
Writing	Mossy Creek	<b>District</b>
5 <sup>th</sup>	72	73.5

## **Additional Information**

The Mossy Creek Turtles have been very busy this year. Focusing around the school theme of Respect This House, our students have participated in a variety of activities including but not limited to Respect Week, Character Education, Bridge Peer Conflict Resolution, Student of the Month, Friend of the Month, and Timely Turtles. They have also been involved in a variety of clubs such as Chorus, Student Council, Safety Patrol, Prime Time, WCRK News, Running Club, Art Club, Jr. Jazzercise, Good News Club, and Pep Squad. They have served our community through Toys for Tots, Jump Rope for Heart, Canned Food Drives, Relay for Life, the Be a Bunny Program, the Veterans Day Program, and the Black History Program. They have expanded their knowledge through programs such as the Spelling Bee, Science Day, DARE, the Principal's Writing Wall of Fame, Author Visits, the Star and Flower Wall for MAPS, the Olympic Reading Challenge, Multiplication Masters for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grades, and Grade Level Field Trips. Mossy Creek's PTO established a scholarship for a graduating North Augusta High School senior who attended Mossy Creek in elementary school.

These activities, along with so many more opportunities, help our students to satisfy the vision of Mossy Creek Elementary, a school that:

- Motivates students to become lifelong learners.
- Challenges students to reach their highest potential.
- Engages all students.
- Serves as a center of excellence.

We believe in our students and each other, a combination for success and achievement inside and outside of the classroom!