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GoalPost Field Experiences gave our students an opportunity to experience different types of fun and learning. Science was focus of this years field experiences with goal post. They attended trips to the Greenville Zoo, SC Ag Museum, and Roper Mountain. Finally, they traveled to Duke World of Energy

Hang Up and Talk - Our student council and Mrs. Lightsey started a movement in our community by standing in our car line with signs and talking to parents about hanging up their phones and talking to them each day about their day. This movement was shown on two news channels in one week. We are proud of our leaders in our school

Two Big Family Events – The Boonanza was a huge success this year. The PTO sponsored this event and raised money for our school all at the same time as tons of fun. The family dance was another successful event this school year. It was a record turnout. We are thankful for our families at PES!

Box Tops and Time for Kids – parent support with our two big fundraisers are very important to our school. These two impact instruction at PES. We are thankful for your support with these two initiatives.



SC Ready meets and exceeds
for English 37%

SC Ready meets and exceeds
for Math 50%

Meeting or exceeding standard
for Science 72%
Meeting or exceeding standard
for S.S. 79%

We performed as well as other
schools like ours in English,
Math, Science, and Social Stud-
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Check Out Our Highlights of the Year!

Canned Food Drives - We had another amazing food drive this year where we donated thousands of pounds of food to local food banks. We believe to change the world we have to start in our own community. Student Council did a great job with this.

Muffins with Mom, Doughnuts with Dad, and Gravy Biscuits with Grans were huge successes this year once again. Our goal was to have more family members visit our school this year. We loved having you all visit and also learn a little bit about literacy while you were here.

Career Day - Our students got to participate in a day long career day this year. We had over community volunteers come to speak to our kids. We had people talk to us about sports, law enforcement, cosmetology, education, armed services, and many other careers. We want our students to know that they can be successful and have great careers as they graduate!

OLWEUS Kickoff and Class Meetings – We had two awesome fitness instructors come to our school this year to help us PUMP UP the KINDNESS at our OLWEUS kick-off: Our school participates in the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program which is a district wide initiative. Our staff was trained in how to implement the program, best practices regarding bullying and bystanders, how to respond to bullying. Our classes meet weekly to discuss community and how we can better include everyone and treat everyone equally.

GROWL and Essentials - We have been very successful this year continuing our character education program where we taught students life skills with our essentials and good character traits with our GROWL (Gratitude, Respect, Ownership, World Changer, and Leadership.) Hundreds of teachers and students were nominated for displaying these traits all year long at all times.

Archery and Explore the Arts - Our Archery team had a record breaking season. They broke their highest score at every archery tournament. They made it to state this year. We also had a very successful year in Explore the Arts. Students with exceptional talent get to hone their skills weekly during this after school club.

Upper Grade Level Field Experiences - Students in our third through sixth grade travel on many different field experiences around the state. Third grade learns all about South Carolina on their trip to Columbia. They visit the State House and are allowed inside tours of both the Senate and House. At the SC Museum, they get to see SC history come to life. Fourth grade travels for a two night trip to Charleston where they explore Patriot's Point, Fort Sumter, the aquarium, and Boone Hall Plantation. They also get to stay aboard the Yorktown for a once in a lifetime experience of sleeping in the bunks. Our fifth graders will be attending Space Camp for the first time ever! They will be developing team building skills and learning all about rockets and space. Sixth graders are our student leaders at PES, and we cultivate their leadership potential by providing a field experience at Earth Shine. This trip allows students opportunities to work together as a team to conquer tasks, survive in the wilderness, and develop their leadership skills.

Travel Around the World Day - Teachers prepared lessons about different countries. The lessons focused on topics such as culture, language, education, geography, etc. Each student rotated around with their class to three other classes which allowed each student to be exposed to four lessons (different countries) within the school day.

We have an amazing staff!

Professional Learning Communities - At PES, we have weekly PLCs to meet the needs of each teacher. We focus on standards, data, and individual student needs. PLC teams analyze evidence of student learning to improve professional practice. Most importantly, our professional learning communities work interdependently to achieve common goals to promote student achievement.

Upstate Mentor – We have almost 20 adults from our community that take time out of their day to visit with students from our school once a week to talk about life, school and anything that can help them be good students and people. We are thankful for our mentors.

Literacy Initiatives – This year, we are focusing on setting specific, individualized reading goals for students during one-on-one reading conferences with students. Teachers meet regularly with all students and listen to them read a portion of their self-selected books during independent reading time. Based on observations of reading behaviors, teachers create specific, short-term goals with students and provide them with strategies to achieve these goals in order to promote continuous growth. In addition, this year we infused literacy into our two school musical performances. In December, students in grades K4-2 enjoyed milk, cookies, and a story read by their teachers following their holiday performance. In March, students in grades 3-6 conducted student-led conferences with their parents following their musical performance to showcase their hard work and share their current reading goals. To encourage families to read together more at home and emphasize the importance of the school-home connection, we launched a #readwithme campaign in April, in which students were able to take a new book of choice home to keep if pictures were sent in of reading taking place at home. Students from our Explore the Arts program helped to create #readwithme posters to hold up during afternoon car dismissal to promote the campaign.

