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WELCOME BACK TO MRES!

A MESSAGE FROM THE PTA BOARD

We are more than half way through the school year and off to a great start in the third quarter. This week, students in kindergarten and first grade celebrated the 100th day of school by dressing up and completing a variety of special math and literacy activities. Thank you, teachers, for all you did to make the day special for our students.

MITCHELL ROAD
PTA



Jump Rope for Heart

It's time for your child to show heart! Our event kick off is the week of January 28th. The event will end Feb. 15th. This year, we're launching the Kids Heart Challenge. It's your child's chance to be a Heart Hero by learning about heart health, spreading the word and raising funds to save other children. Registration information will be coming home in your child's Back-pack. All donation will be collected online only. Thank you for supporting the physical and emotional well-being of our students and the American Heart Association.

This month our students have an opportunity to support the Make a Wish Foundation. Student Council's annual pencil gram sale will run from February 7th until February 14th from 7:30-8:00 AM in the hub. **Pencil Grams will also be sold on Monday night, February 11th starting at 5:00 pm before the PTA meeting.** The students will be selling Valentine's Day Pencil-Grams, as well as Make-A-Wish Bracelets, and Make-A-Wish paper stars that will be displayed within the school to raise funds for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Our school's donation helps to grant wishes of children with life threatening medical conditions. Please help us show Mitchell Road's support!

Each pencil with a message will cost: \$0.50

Make-A-Wish Bracelets: \$2.00

Make-A-Wish Paper Hearts: \$1.00

On March 1, our school will participate in Read Across America Day with a book character dress up celebration. More information about this event will be sent home in the Friday folder. We hope all students will dress up and share their favorite book character with their class.

From the Principal's Desk:

Mitchell Road Elementary will participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) on February 20, 2019. NAEP is the largest nationally representative and continuing assessment of what students know and can do in various subjects. NAEP is administered by the National Center for Education Statistics, within the U.S. Department of Education. NAEP is different from our state assessments because it is a common measure of achievement across the country. The results are released as The Nation's Report Card, which provides information about student achievement to educators, parents, policymakers, and the public.

Fourth Grade students may take an assessment in mathematics, reading, or science. In addition to subject area questions, NAEP survey questionnaires are voluntarily completed by students. Your child may also receive an extended questionnaire that takes up to 10 more minutes and asks additional contextual questions. The questionnaires help by providing valuable information about participating students' educational experiences and opportunities to learn both in and out of the classroom. More information about NAEP survey questionnaires is available at

<https://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/parents> under the section "What Questions Are on the Test?"

There is no need to study in preparation for NAEP, but please encourage your child to do his or her best. A brochure that explains what participation in NAEP means for you and your child is available at <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/pdf/parents/2012469.pdf>. Contact Heather Dye at 355-6716 or at hdye@greenville.k12.sc.us if you have any questions.

We are excited that our school is participating in NAEP. We know that Mitchell Road Elementary's students will show what our nation's students know and can do.



FEBRUARY

11 PTA Meeting with Concert for 2nd & 3rd graders

18 President's Day - No School

MARCH

1 Book Character Dress-up

4-8 Scholastic Book Fair

5 Chickfila Spirit Night

14 Skate Night



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