



The Bear Facts



A Newsletter for Friends and Families of Riverhill School

December 2, 2011

RAPS Reminders

Be on the lookout for a letter about our upcoming soup sale.

CLEARANCE SALE

The sale includes Riverhill umbrellas, beach towels, pennants, koozies, car magnets, t-shirts, sweatshirts, jackets, hats, and much more.

These items will be on sale at **DISCOUNTED PRICES** in the Front Hall next week.

FocusFirst, an Alabama Student Vision Initiative, will be providing **FREE** vision screening for students on Friday, December 9th. Be sure to return the screening permission form no later than December 7th.

In keeping with Riverhill's tradition of reaching out to the community during the holiday season, each class has selected the following agencies as Christmas Community Service Projects.

- *Kindergarten, First, Third, and Fourth - Hospice of the Shoals (This agency ministers to terminally ill patients and their families.)
- *Pre-K2, Pre-K3, Pre-K4, Second, Fifth, and Sixth - Cramer Center (This local agency ministers to abused children.)

Please note that we will focus our attention on these service projects in lieu of exchanging gifts amongst Buddies.

Our Feature Presentation: Pre-K2

The Pre-K2 children have been very busy learning new skills. We have been working on basic procedures such as sitting at the carpet for learning times, sitting at the table for activities and snack, and walking in a line using a walking rope. The students are doing really well with these basic procedures. We are also learning about our letters, numbers, shapes, and colors. In November, we studied the letters E and F, the numbers 4 and 5, the square, and the color brown. We also learned about Thanksgiving, turkeys, Pilgrims, and Indians through various stories and art activities. In addition, we like to learn by playing and exploring in the classroom and on the playground. The children and I are having a lot of fun learning and playing in Pre-K2.

Sincerely,
Daye Winsett



We are committed to providing a child-centered, academic environment whereby we empower our students to become informed, responsible, productive, life-long learners with solid values and positive self-images.

December 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4	5 Boys Basketball at St. Joseph (4:00) Girls Basketball at St. Joseph (6:00) Boys Basketball at St. Joseph (7:00)	6 Boys Basketball at SCS (6:00)	7 Skating Party 3:30-5:30	8	9 Scholars Bowl 12:30 at Riverhill	10 Boys Basketball at SCS (1:00) Girls Basketball at SCS (2:00)
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 Riverhill Spelling Bee 8:15 in the gym	21 K Christmas Breakfast Christmas Sing-A-Long 10:45 in the gym 11:30 Dismissal	22	23	24
						
				School resumes at 10:00 on Wednesday, January 4th.		

Riverhill has earned a total of \$31,396.88 to date with their Nu Skin fundraiser. Parents can order by going to www.nuskinusa.com and using Riverhill's Sponsor ID# US8149782. By redirecting everyday product purchases, Riverhill will continue to grow their residual income thereby producing asset. For assistance, call Carmen Anderson at (256)740-2953.

Riverhill Brownies "Pack Them with Love"

Brownie Troop 276 is collecting food donations for needy school children who are not fed at home. Help us fill their backpacks!

"Sidney's Safe!" Foundation gives easy-to-eat, individually packaged foods to 200 Shoals area children selected by the schools because their only meals are likely to be the ones they eat during the school day. SSF provides back packs of food every Friday so these children will have something to eat over the weekend.

Please make this unique food drive a success. The circumstance these children are in is not their fault. They need our help!

Drop-off bins will be in each Riverhill classroom **November 15-December 12**. Thanks in advance for your support!!!

Suggested donations include packages of peanut butter and crackers, cheese and crackers, granola/breakfast bars, chips, crackers (individual servings), peanuts, single serving mac and cheese, pop tarts, fruit snacks, microwave popcorn, small boxes of cereal, cans of tuna, fruit cups, applesauce, small boxes of raisins, and pop-top cans of spaghetti and meatballs, ravioli, or chili.



Riverhill is now a sponsored organization with Gift Cards for a Cause. Anyone can raise money for the school simply by ordering gift cards. The only cost is a small shipping and handling fee when the gift cards are ordered. Purchase gift cards for your family and friends for Christmas or pre-order cards for your weekly shopping and restaurant visits. A percentage of the face value of each card is donated to the school. Anyone can buy cards at any time by visiting <http://www.giftcardsforacause.com/>

Please help us spread the news by sharing this information with your family and friends.

Parents Night Out

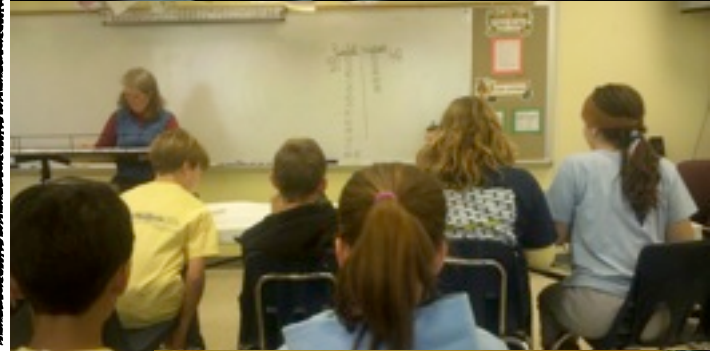
Thursday, December 8

5:30-8:30 pm

\$20 per child

(includes pizza and a movie)

All proceeds go to Riverhill's general fund.



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