#### **OUR VISION:**

Preparing students to be 21<sup>st</sup> Century learners through purposeful teaching, communication and collaboration.

Communication
Collaboration
Purposeful Teaching
for
21st Century Learners

### **OUR CORE BELIEFS:**

All students can learn.
All students have unique talents and abilities.
High academic achievement is a priority.
All members of the community share
responsibilities for success.

January 18, 2013

# C.C. Pinckney Elementary

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## "Every Student Matters, Every Moment Counts"

### Calendar

January 18 Teacher Work Day No School

January 21, 2013

M.L. King Jr. Holiday No School

January 23

Coffee & Chat 11:00AM – 12:00PM

Dr.Martin Luther King Jr.
Art & Essay

2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Winners Awards
Library- 8:15AM

January 25, 2013 Report Cards Issued

January 30

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Awards Assembly 8:30AM

January 31

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip Columbia City Ballet

February 5

Lexington County Museum 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, 8:25AM

February 6

Make-up Picture Day

February 7

Patriot's Award Program 8:15AM

February 12

PTO Meeting 11AM

February 18

Washington's Birthday Federal Holiday – No School Principal's Message

It's been another great week at CCP!

Our classroom Spelling Bees were held this week. These winners will compete for the CCP Spelling Bee championship. The CCP winner will then compete at the district, regional, and national levels. We are expecting a national winner this year!

The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. (MLK) art and essay contest will be recognized in the library on January 23, 2013. Our first place winners will be announced and recognized at the MLK luncheon.

Students took Problem Solving Assessments #2 this week and will take Math Benchmark Tests 1-4 next week. We are expecting to see an increase in math scores like we saw in reading.

**Enjoy your weekend!** 

Superintendent's Forum

11:00AM - 1:00PM

February 7, 2013

Superintendent's Office Hours

11AM-2PM

January 23rd

January 30th



Classroom Spelling Bees will be held during the week of January 7-16, 2013! Encourage your child to study over the Winter Break. Word lists will be posted on the CCP website.

CCP School Spelling Bee -22 February 2013 District Spelling Bee - 3 May 2013

### STUDENT ACTIVITES & PARENT INVOLVEMENT

#### Continuous School Improvement Team (CSI)

The CSI Team meets every Monday from 3:15 – 4:15M in the professional development room B-147.

#### **ELO**

The Extended Learning Opportunity began Tuesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> through February 27th, 2013 from 3:00-4:30PM. The Session will be Tuesday and Wednesday from 3:00-4:30PM, For Further information contact Ms. Victoria S at 803-787-6815.

### Success Club

Success Club meets on Mondays, from 2:55-3:45PM For further information contact Debbie M @ 803-787-6815.

### **Wednesday Walkers**

Wednesday Walkers meets on Wednesday's from 2:55–3:30PM Ms. P is asking for parent volunteers to help monitor our students' progress. For further information, contact Ms. P at 803-787-6815.

### **Technology Club**

The Technology Club meets on Mondays from 2:55 – 3:40PM. Mr. P can be contacted at 803-787-6815.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade: January 7, 14 & 28, 2013.

4<sup>th</sup> Grade: February 4, 11, 25 & March 4, 11, 18 & 25, 2013

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: April 8, 15, 22 &29 & May 6, 13 & 20, 2013

<u>Fitness Club</u> meets on Tuesdays from 2:55-3:45PM. Session II is January 8-March 19, 2013. Session III will be held March 19th – May 21st.For further information contact Ms. B at 803-787-6815.

Science Club meets on Friday's, 3:00-4:30PM. For further information contact Ms. W at 803-787-6815.

Art Club meets on Mondays from 3:00-4:30PM. First session dates are Oct 15, Oct 22, 29; November 5, 19, 26; December 3, 10, 17; January 14, 28 and February 4, 2013. For further information contact Ms. F at 803-787-6815. The dates for the Session II are February 11, 25; March 4, 11, 18, 25; April 8, 15, 22, 29 and May 6, 13 and 20.

### JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

(Time Correction)

It is that time of year for Jump Rope for Heart. This year, the event will be on Friday, February 22 from 8:15-11:15AM. More information will be coming.

# C.C. PINCKNEY Principal's Forum - Coffee and Chat

Our goal is to foster effective communications and relationships with and among our stakeholders. In an effort to accomplish this goal, a monthly and quarterly forum has been established.

When: Every 4th Wednesday of the Month from 11:00AM-12:00PM

Next Forum is January 23, 2013

Where: C.C. Pinckney

During each forum, I will be available to answer questions, concerns and gather feedback on how we can improve our services for our military families. At the conclusion of the session and within a two week time frame, I will respond in writing to any and all questions that were not answered

the forum. These responses will be communicated to all stakeholders through the weekly parent newsletter or individually as appropriate.

**Questions, Concern, Comments** 

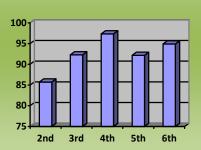
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### **Update Student Records**

If you have moved, have a new email address and/or home, work or cell phone numbers, emergency contacts or sponsor rank or unit has changed, please notify the school registrar to update student records. If necessary, please provide copies of new lease and new sponsor ID card. Updating records will ensure we are able to contact you and simplify the registration process in the Spring.

### DATA CORNER:

Student Average Daily Attendance January 7-17, 2012



☐ Grade Levels

### **ATTENDANCE POLICY**

- Students must be seated in their classroom at 7:55 a.m.
- Students are tardy at 7:56 a.m.
- Students are absent at 8:06 a.m.
- No Student check out last 30 minutes of school day except for extenuating circumstances approved by principal.
- Any absence or tardy without a written verification from a parent or sponsor will be unexcused.
- Parent must be notified by school each time a student is "absent unexcused" from school.
   Please note that it is not required for parents to contact the school prior to a short-term absence. The automated phone system will contact parents even if the parent notifies the school ahead of time regarding the absence. It is required.
- Excused absence or tardy is defined as:
  - Personal illness
  - Medical/dental appointment
  - Serious illness in immediate family
  - Death in immediate family or relative
  - Religious holiday
  - Emergency conditions such as fire/flood/storm
  - College visits
  - A unique family circumstance coordinated with administration
  - Pandemic event

The principal has final authority to identify an absence as excused.

### PTO RECYCLING

The PTO will be collecting and recycling small electronics, cell phones, inkjet cartridges, and laser cartridges. Please place these items in our box located in the cafeteria. This is a great way to get rid of those items that are just taking up space in your house.

### IT IS BOX TOP TIME!!!

Parents please send your box tops in to your child's teacher in a ziploc bag or envelope with your child's name and teacher's name on it. The top two classes who turn in the most box tops by February 22 will get to have a party. We will be collecting every week and keep a running total. So clip your class into first place.

Thank you for your help, The PTO

### **School Telephones**

Dear Parents and Stakeholders,

Currently our telephone system is not consistently operating at full capacity. Technicians are working to resolve the problems. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused you. We will continue to update you on our progress.

### Newsfrom Your Counselor -

### Parents make the Difference

Televisions, computers, and video games are the stumbling blocks to reading achievement in the country today and families can cope with its pervasive influence. Competing with technology is no small task. BUT IT CAN BE DONE. Did you know the more hours' children spend watching televisions, playing video games, corresponding on face book and/or other internet social sites the lower the achievement test scores? It is estimated a child spends 15,000 hours watching TV from birth to age 17. That does not include the time spent playing video games, playing on the computer or watching movies. Consider monitoring the amount of time your child spends watching TV, playing video games, time on the computer and try eliminating these during the school week. See if you notice an improvement in your child's grades. Contact Mrs. M at school for additional information or to set up an appointment.

### **MEAL PROGRAM**

### Start the Day (and the Year) Right

Make sure this year's resolutions include guaranteeing your kids a balanced, nutritious breakfast every day. If your morning schedule makes this difficult, or your kids aren't hungry early in the morning, send them to school for breakfast. Many nutritious foods are available every morning in the cafeteria for ALL students. Help your kids to make this semester a success!

### **School Breakfast Information**

**Serving Time:** 7:30-7:55AM **Price:** \$.85 paid, \$.30 reduced\*, free\* (\*if qualified) No advance registration necessary! All students are welcome every day!

### **Success Club Resumes**

The Success Club has started back for 2013. Please make sure your child stays from 2:55-3:45PM for help with homework and additional academic help. There are openings for new members. If you would like your child to participate, call Mrs. M, Counselor at 787-6815.

I will send home a permission letter and your child can start the following Monday. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's counselor. I will be glad to "Lend a Helping Hand!"

