

### Raidertown Times

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First and Second grades present

### Toys, The Night They Come Alive!



Some of the participants in the musical were: front row, seated left to right, Farrahn Manigault, Ava Reed, Riley Griffith, Kylie Hiers, Sade Glover, Kennedy Hill, and Holli Reed. Second row, Rivie Fralik, Hunter Azzarelli, Kel Rice, Jayce Thrower, and Joslyn Bishop. Standing, Xavier Davis and William Weeks.



Future RCES student, Gabriel Thompson sits on Santa's lap.



Freya Coker, a 5K student at RCES, gives Santa a big hug.



Mrs. Huffstetler and Mrs. Frazier's 5K class dressed up as Native Americans after learning about the First Thanksgiving. They each came up with their Native American names and decorated their shirts.



Eleanor Huffstetler (4K) and Brooklyn Stanfield (5K) took a quick break from Raiderthon and spent time together. 4K and 5K ran on the same track and these friends were able to run together.

#### Mayor Foster addresses GEMS Club

The RCES "GEMS" (Girls Embracing their Minds and Selfworth) is a girl's social club aimed at helping girls realize that they are intelligent, proud, and beautiful individuals who are capable of doing and becoming whatever they put their minds to. The "GEMS" Motto: "If you don't make it the first time, don't give up. Keep fighting...Keep going...and You will get there!" At present, the "GEMS" have twenty-two members.

At the "GEMS" first meeting, we were honored to have Mayor Nancy Foster as our guest speaker. The girls enjoyed Mayor Foster and had many interesting questions to ask. The Mayor said that she really enjoyed meeting the girls and praised them on how well behaved they were. She also stated that she would love to come back at a later date to see the progress that the girls have made.

The GEMS have participated in

several projects and will continue to do so in the future. They filled and donated three Operation Christmas Shoe boxes at Christmas, adopted a family in the community for Christmas and gave gifts to the children, and they gave special treats to the faculty and staff of RCES. The girls also went on a trip to the Hi Wire Trampoline Park at Sandhills in Columbia during the Christmas Break.

The "GEMS" have other Community and School Projects on the horizon, so be on the lookout to see what they will be doing next.

RCES is collecting CAN TABS for Ronald McDonald House SEND IN YOURS



Jaxon Barnes admires the "Grinch" he created out of fruit when the second graders celebrated with a Grinch Day before the holiday break. After the students created them, they ate them.



The artwork above, displayed on the red hall, was drawn by Anthony Hoffman. The art below was drawn by Zaimir Franklin.





Mrs. Huffstetler and Mrs. Frazier's 5K class was excited for Raiderthon. The children enjoyed dancing before and during their time to run.



#### RCES Vision Statement

We are Richard Carroll Elementary School and together we
Learn with Passion,
Lead with Integrity, and
Succeed with Confidence.

## Calendar of Events

Tuesday, January 7 - Report Cards Issued

**Wednesday, January 8-** Student Lighthouse Team meets, 2:45 p.m.

Monday, January 20 - Martin Luther King holiday

Tuesday, January 21 - Pre-K Waterford Family Night, 5 p.m.

**Wednesday, January 22-** Student Lighthouse Team meets, 2:45 p.m.

**Thursday, January 30 -** "Moving with Some Math Night (Title 1) Pre-K - 6, 5:30 - 6:30























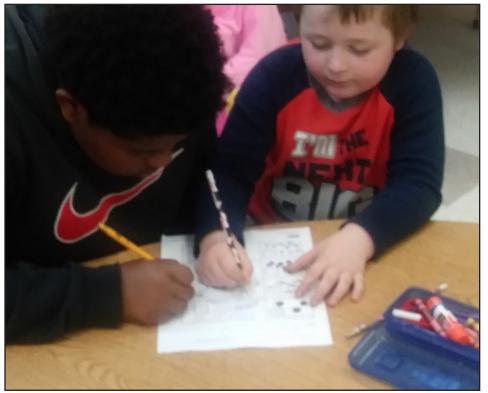
Mrs. Harper's first grade



Mrs. Thomas' third grade



Mrs. Bunch's sixth grade class brainstormed and came up with the idea of making Christmas trees out of ice cream cones. Her students also helped Mrs. Glasper's 5K students write their Santa letters for the local newspaper. They synergized and worked in stations to get the job done! The excitement was in the air!



Twilight Bairfoot, 5K, gets help from his sixth grade partner, \_\_\_\_

# RCES family meets their Raider-Thon \$6,000 goal!

Raider-thon was a tremendous success! Our School Goal was \$6000 dollars and we met that goal on the day we left for the Christmas holidays! Way to go Raider Town!

The Raider-Thon Team wants to thank all of our teachers, faculty, parents, and students for helping to make this event a success. Prizes and treats will be awarded over the next few weeks.





The green hall Kindness Quilt was created by the third grade students. Each used a coloring key after figuring the multiplication facts within their square.

## RCES' kindness reaches Ronald McDonald House

Fifty-three pounds of can tabs from RCES were delivered to the Ronald McDonald house over the holiday break! With 1,000 tabs making a pound this is 53,000 tabs. Our school goal is to reach 1,000 pounds which is 1 million tabs. Let's keep pressing toward that goal!!! Everyone can easily collect can tabs!!!! There is a new, empty bin in the cafeteria where can tabs can be placed.

Mrs. Carla Jowers, RCES Occupational Therapist, and son Hampton toured the Ronald McDonald house while dropping off the tabs. They learned there are 32 rooms in the house that are



Mrs. Carla Jowers and her son, Hampton, presented the fifty-three pounds of can tabs to Ronald McDonald House to help patients' families pay electricity bills.

occupied at all times. There are rarely any vacancies! The rooms are open to families based on the critical needs of their children

without regard to financial status. Proceeds from the can tab program supplements payment for their annual electricity bill.