

### Raidertown Times

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#### RCES new Leader in Me Pathway to Leadership now completed

We are pleased to announce that our Pathway to Leadership, located in the front entrance of the school, is now complete.

The Pathway to Leadership includes a rock path that leads to a bench accented by boxed flowering plants. Recently, the final touches were added. This included seven stepping stones, each with a mosaic inlay of one of the Leader in Me's seven habits. This program gives students the leadership and life skills they need to thrive in the 21st century.

Dr. Jim Beaubeouf contributed to help finish the project. We hope that you enjoy it as much as we did constructing it!



Mrs. Huffstetler & Mrs. Frazier's class remembered 9/11. They made hats and talked about the events that happened on that day.

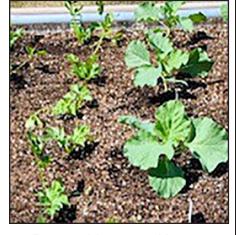
### After School Program serves grades 3-6

With the support of the Original Six Foundation, the RCES After School Program is up and running. This year, we are serving students in third through sixth grades. The organization's founder and native of Bamberg, Ambassador Nikki R. Haley, returned this year to Chair the foundations' board.

The Practice Makes Perfect Homework Center provides students after school homework assistance, as well as an after school snack. During the small group sessions, the students have access to valuable resources such as wifi, computers, and book sources available at school.

### Our fall garden is growing





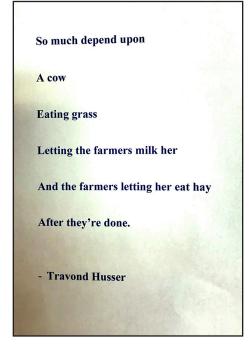


Partnerships with our local community businesses and services provide a great opportunity for young students to learn about the benefits of kindness and friendship. In this case, it also gives RCES students a chance to experience hands-on learning.

This garden plot planted with help of Southeastern Housing and Community Development, Lara Buss, and Tri-County Health Coalition allows students experiences that can be used for measuring in math, plant life in science, and writing in ELA.

Currently, the radishes, cabbages, and celery are flourishing. Stop by and check it all out – even the butterflies are enjoying the area!

# Fourth graders study and write poetry



Fourth graders read the novel Love that Dog. In the story, the main character, Jack, reads poems and responds to them. At the end of the book, our students respond through poetry modeled after "The Red Wheelbarrow" by William Carlos Williams.

So much depends

On the police

Driving the cop car

Protecting the city.

- Willow Lahnert



### RCES Vision Statement

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

### Kindergartners synergize while being artistic at recess



Mrs. Huffstetler, Miss Kuck, and Mrs. Warren's kindergarten classes synergized and shared chalk on the playground together.



4K would like to thank Mrs. Batts for the sidewalk chalk. All of the 4K students enjoyed writing on the sidewalk during recess.



## Calendar of Events

**Wednesday, September 25 -** IDENT-A-KID at RCES Student Lighthouse Meets, 2:45

Tuesday, October 1 - School Mall Fundraiser Begins

**Wednesday, October 2 -** Walk Around School, 8:30 a.m.

**Thursday, October 3 -** Fall Student Picture Day Trash out Thursday

Friday, October 4 - Food Drive ends

**Wednesday, October 9 -** ELA Night, 6 - 7 p.m. Student Lighthouse Meeting, 2:45 p.m.

### RCES through *Leader in Me* fosters leadership and kindness



Pictured left to right are Rob Hurst, Thomas Hay, Hollie Reed, Hampton Jowers, Weatherly Mehrzad, Ava Reed, Camryn Nix, and Ta"Khary Evans.

RCES is rocking with kindness and leadership this year. These second graders used their recess to clean up the playground. Hampton Jowers brought the team to the teachers to show how they had synergized to do the job.

As the teachers looked at the faces of the group, who were excited about their work as a team, Hampton Jowers even impressed them more when he immediatedly redirected them to Weatherly Mehrzad. He said, "It wasn't my idea. It was Weatherly's idea."

These proud young leaders are a great example of how the *Leader* in *Me program* is effecting the hearts and minds of students at RCES.

### Sixth Grade News

Sixth grade has been busy settling in and getting down to business these first few weeks.

In math, that have been reviewing multiplication, orders of operations, and beginning work variables.

In ELA, students have been reading a class novel called *Bud not Buddy*. Through this novel the students will examine theme and character traits.

In Social Studies students have been reviewing state, country and world map skills. Some fun trivia we are having is locating the capitals of each state.

Science has been busy

reviewing safety rules, inquiry skills, and lab tools. The next unit of study is Atmosphere and Weather.

#### Good News Club meets Thursday after school

The Good News Club is a free after school program conducted by CEF Christian Team consisting of Games, Songs, Bible Lessons, Bible Verses in a fun atmosphere for kids to learn about God.

The program is for all first thru fourth grade students. Registration is required, you can pick up the forms in the front office.

## Proctor thanks everyone for supporting RCES' Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to all parents, grandparents, students, and teachers who supported our RCES September book fair. Our fair was a win-win success in getting great books into the hands of children for their personal libraries.

Grandparents Day provided an opportunity for grandparents and children to enjoy breakfast together and then shop at the book fair. Thank you, too, for putting a smile on teachers' and students' faces through your generous gifts to your child's classroom library.

All proceeds will go towards purchasing new resources for the library. By synergizing or working

together, we can positively influence the reading future of our students by promoting the gift of literacy.



### RCES's Wellness Mission Statement:



To provide students with an educational experience that inspires a healthy lifestyle.



Principal Stacey Walter enjoyed her visit with Martha Washington.

## The Washingtons visit RCES during Constituion Week

Community volunteers, Frank and JoAnn Ward visited RCES dressed as George and Martha Washington. Because of their love of children and education, they wanted to introduce the students to the importance of the Constitution during Constitution Week. They even prepared the display table in Synergy Square.



George Washington admires a portrait of himself.







PE is good for the body, mind, and soul. These students are working hard.



This year's theme is #kindness rocks. As you can see, the RCES students are already rocking it! This "Kindness Tree" on the Blue Hall already displays only the many acts of kindness that have been written on leaves. At this rate, it will not be long before the tree is in full bloom with leaves overlapping. The challenge is on for all of the RCES staff and students.

