

Franklinville Elementary School celebrated National Employee Boss Exchange Day on September 14. Principal Debbie Sheron switched places with first grader CJ Mears for the morning. While “First Grader Debbie Sheron” was busy in her class participating in guided reading and working in Canvas, “Principal Mears” made his morning rounds.

Principal Mears was tired after walking throughout the entire school, but he understood the importance of the walk sharing: “The principal has to keep everyone safe and make sure people are doing their work, listening, and learning.” During this time, “First Grader Debbie Sheron” was having fun working with the alphabet on the computer during stations. She also enjoyed time sitting in a scoop chair and reading to herself. However, her favorite activity was spending time with her teacher and one other student during Guided Reading.

Still wearing her pigtails, Debbie Sheron’s face lit up when she described how she felt special when it was her turn to read and how much she had enjoyed the individual attention of her teacher. When asked if she would like to be a student in today’s world, Debbie Sheron quickly replied, “I would love to be a student at Franklinville Elementary now, because my individual needs would be met. We understand how to assess each student’s needs and then engage them in fun and meaningful lessons based on their unique needs.”

“Principal Mears” was also concerned about meeting the needs of his staff. During his walk-through, he did receive several requests for a raise. When asked if the staff deserves a raise, he quickly said, “Yes, for the work they do helping people learn, yeah.” When asked how much he would recommend the raise to be, he suggested, “ten or five dollars.”

Principal Debbie Sheron’s job seems to be safe as CJ Mears has no interest in pursuing a career in education. He has already chosen a career in music like Michael Jackson, and based on his dance moves he is well on his way.

