

## A Letter From The Editor: We Work Hard For Your Money...

## Dear Parents, Guardians, and Community Members:

"She Works Hard for the Money" is a song by American singer Donna Summer from her 1983 eleventh studio album of the same name. The song was written by Michael Omartian and Summer, and produced by the former. It was released as the lead single in 1983 from the album by Mercury Records.

It became a hit for Summer and is one of her signature songs, reaching number one for a three-week stay atop the Billboard R\&B singles chart (her first since 1979), number three on the Billboard Hot 100, and number three on the Dance Club Play chart. The single ended up as Billboard's fifteenth-best performing song of 1983.

I offer this now because a friend recently asked me, "Jason, why do you keep your school's calendar so busy?"

I responded as follows, "Going to school is one of the few times when we pay and then don't want our money's worth. We just want the learning to be easy. Perhaps that's understandable, but we have to decide if we want it to be easy now or easy later. We can't have it both ways."

This being said, a large amount of research indicates that we can make "the hard" a little easier if we work together to:

- Feed the need to read.
- Incorporate writing frequently in our activities.
- Ask questions.
- Maintain a "big picture" perspective, and
- Make things relevant (real-world-based).

Let's maximize our "Bang for the buck!"
Let's give every Monarch their money's worth!
Let's make tomorrow easy by working hard today!
Thanks Poolville!
Enthusiastically,

## Jason Cheslock

Principal
Poolville Elementary School
Here Are Some Cool Things We Did This Week...

## We Celebrated Student Success...

Let's meet Kash Griggs!
Kash is:

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A = accomplished
S = smart, \&
H = highly focused
Kash is a 5th-grade student that was sent to the office to receive praise for his:

* Use of mathematical strategies
* "Can do" attitude, and
* Superior performance today

Great job Kash.
Great job 5th-grade.
If you have a student that has experienced an amazing day or a favorable performance turnaround, please allow me to assist with their celebration!

Positive office visits.......like our Monarchs......are the BEST!

## We Selected an Amazing Class of the Week...

All of our classes at Poolville Elementary School are AWESOME! However, each week there are certain classes or student groups that exhibit certain characteristics that make them ideal pupils for incremental recognition.

This week those characteristics were:

* Asking insightful questions
* Working hard
* Being leaders
* Arriving at school as motivated learners, and
* Modeling solid citizenship

Please join me in congratulating this week's Class of the Week! Great job Mrs. Ford! Your 4th-grade homeroom class has hit a homerun!

We appreciate you!
I can't wait to see who receives next week's honor.

## We Recognized a Super Student of the Week...

A role model is other-focused as opposed to self-focused. Role models are usually active in the learning environment, polite, positive, and freely giving of their time and talents for the benefit of others.

The PES Student of the Week certainly checks all of these boxes!
Please join me in congratulating Kalvin Baker. Kalvin is a super 2nd-grade student in Mrs. Morgan's class.

Way to go Kalvin.


## Way to go Mrs. Morgan.

Way to go Monarchs!

## We Promoted Our Next Community Engagement Event...

Did you know that the tug of war event was once an Olympic event? It was featured from 1900 to 1920.

This may seem like an unusual Olympic sport. Nevertheless, it was part of the ancient Olympics back in 500 BC.

To honor ancient Olympians and our PTO, we hope you will join us in our 3rd combination event of the year. Poolville Elementary School and the PTO co-host a community event every three weeks. We selected a three-week interval because it mirrors our student progress report and report card distribution schedule.

Let's talk a little about academics and simultaneously have a lot of athletic fun!
We can't wait to see you next Wednesday.

## 1, 2, 3, 4...I Declare A Tug of War against pto



## We Planned For the Arrival of the Great Pumpkin...

Pumpkins with ghoulish faces and illuminated by candles are a sure sign of the Halloween season. The practice of decorating jack-o'-lanterns originated in Ireland, where large turnips and potatoes served as early canvasses. In fact, the name, jack-o'-lantern, comes from an Irish folktale about a man named Stingy Jack.

Poolville Elementary School is proud to report that it is again teaming up with PTO to host the 1st annual "Pumpkins, Paint \& PTO" event.

Event details have been pictured below.
Thank you Poolville.
Thank you PTO.

## We Announced Our 2nd Annual Agriculture Awareness Day Event...



Poolville Elementary School has been afforded a unique opportunity to strategically partner with the Poolville High School Agriculture Department. This amazing partnership will allow our students to gain firsthand agricultural knowledge from a collection of impressive high school students, officers, and teachers.

The opportunity will promote:

* The value and essential role of agriculture in maintaining a strong US economy.
* Acknowledgment of and consideration for career opportunities in the agriculture, food, fiber, and renewable resource industries.
* The educational and extracurricular opportunities afforded to Poolville ISD students in the field of agriculture.
* The responsibility and accomplishments are created when we work together to care for the environment and the animals that depend on it.

The educational event will be held during the standard school day on Thursday, October 21, 2021 from 8:15 to 11:00 AM.

Our students will participate by progressing through a series of seven learning and exploratory stations. Each station will be run and managed by a high school student expert.

The stations will allow our students the opportunity to discover and interact with:

- Horses
- Sheep
- Goats
- Steer
- Pigs
- Dairy Cattle

An abundance of pictures will be taken and shared on our campus Facebook page.

Please tune in on Thursday to catch live interviews with students from both the high school and elementary school.

Together we will make this the best and most successful Agriculture Awareness Day ever!

## We Launched Preparation Efforts For Red Ribbon Week...

Red Ribbon Week is the nation's oldest and largest drug prevention awareness program.

Red Ribbon Week transpires on October 25th through October 29th.
A detailed dress-up days flyer can be found below.
We hope everyone participates!

## We Continued To Promote the Pink Out Game...

A famous American author once said, "Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see."

## Thank you for your poster-making kindness!

It may be impossible for us to be present as a school at every event that transpires in the district. However, your heart, support, enthusiasm, and commitment to others have been demonstrated time and time again with each and every poster submission we receive.

Here are two more that just arrived.
There is still time to create something special for:

- Our volleyball team
- This amazing cancer-fighting and awareness building cause, and
- Our cheerleaders and sponsors

Great job PES!

## We Kicked Off an Art Smart Opportunity...

"Art does not solve problems, but makes us aware of their existence."
Art education, on the other hand, does solve problems. Years of research show that art education is closely linked to almost everything that we as a nation say we want for our children and demand from our schools: academic achievement, social and emotional development, civic engagement, and equitable opportunity. Our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), is another group that emphasizes and supports important educational missions transpiring within our walls and inside our community.

I am proud to report that these two amazing groups are joining forces. Mrs. Stegall and our PTO would like to encourage our Monarchs to "Boo The Flu!" Details have been pictured below.

This is a great learning opportunity that promotes problem-solving, school safety, and the power of teamwork.

Good luck!

## We Continued Our Daily Instructional Focus...

Can you identify the object pictured below?
If you answered, "A Magic 8-Ball" please give yourself a hand.
The Magic 8-Ball is a plastic sphere, made to look like an eight-ball, that is used for fortune-telling or seeking advice. It was invented in 1946 by Albert C. Carter and Abe Bookman and is currently manufactured by Mattel.

It was Dr. Lucien Cohen, a psychology professor at the University of Cincinnati, who partnered with the creators of the Magic 8 Ball and decided upon 20 possible responses:

- 10 positive
- 5 negative, and
- 5 indifferent.


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Entries must be turned in by
October 12.
They will be judged October 13
by
Nurse Webb &
Nurse Bryant.
Prizes will be provided by PTO.
    Entries must be no larger than
    22\times28
    Entries must incorporate the
    theme "Boo to the Flu"
    Name, grade level and teacher
    Name, grade level and teacher 
the entry.
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So how does this pertain to educational excellence at PES? That's easy! We are about to collectively begin our 8th-week of the instructional year. Let's not let soothsayers, examiners of crystal balls, the Magic 8-Ball, or tarot card readers drive our instructional focus and practices.

Instead, let's turn to the five most proven instructional strategies for primary-age learners. These strategies are:

- Differentiated instruction through the use of learning stations
- Cooperative learning through the use of the jigsaw method
- Inquiry-based instruction supported by planned, targeted questions and
 questioning stems
- Graphic organizers like thinking maps and Frayer Models, and
- Multi learning modality lessons utilizing the Cone of Learning.

Together, we can make this our best week yet.
Together we can tip the Magic 8-Ball in our favor.
Thank you Poolville.
Together we can achieve so much MORE!

- Jason Cheslock

Please check us out on Facebook for even more details!

