



MITCHELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Where Children and Learning Come First

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September Bearcat Birthdays

Lauren Douglas	9/4
Malcolm McGee	9/4
Lakedra Sims	9/10
Terrica Fox	9/16
Amber Orr	9/20
Tyshun Clayborn	9/21
Tywhun Clayborn	9/21
Jalen Edwards	9/23

Dates to Remember

School Pictures	9/5
CMSD Parent Fair	9/6
T-shirt Deadline	9/7
CMSD Board Mtg.	9/10
Grandparents' Day	9/10
YPAS Deadline	9/14
PTO Meeting	9/18
Report Cards	9/25
K Bus Fair	9/26
Honor Roll Celebration	9/27

Dear Parents /Guardians,

Can you believe we have been in school a month already? We are off to a great start. Our attendance rate is higher then this time last year!!! Keep up the good work and thank you for making sure your child is at school every day!! Everyday is important!!

We are very excited to announce that Mitchell Elementary School has earned a

LEVEL 4—Exemplary School

status by the Mississippi Department of Education!!!! As you know this time last year, we were a Level 2. However, with EVERYONE'S hard work and commitment to our childrens' educational future, we advanced two levels. Once again we plan to put teaching and learning first and set our expectations even higher . With your continued support and dedication to your child, we believe we will obtain our goal of a Level 5 school with Level 5 students, parents, and teachers!!

Please help us obtain our goal by attending our special school events. We always have a great time and make plans to move Mitchell to a higher level. We will start this month with a special "Arts Party" to recognize our high achievers, Grandparent's Day, Honor Roll Celebration and PTO meeting .

As always, if you have questions or concerns, please let me know. My door is always open. If I am in a classroom, I will contact you as soon as possible.

Special Reminders

- Please be on the lookout for papers every TUESDAY.
- Please don't forget to pay your child's workbook fees. \$15
- Please make sure your child wears his/her belt every day.
- Please send an excuse or call within 3 days of the day your child was absent.



- Please make sure car riders are at school by 7:45 if they are to eat breakfast.
- Please read with your child each day.
- Please communicate any concerns with your child's teacher.
- Please attend our after school events at school.

PRAISE

Promoting Responsibility and Improving Self-Esteem (PRAISE) is an important part of a child's education. We believe in recognizing student's that promote positive behaviors while at school. Our

BEARCAT PRAISE Club will do just that. Please talk with your child about the PRAISE club. We want every student to earn the right to join

Parents are the most important teachers in a child's life and play a crucial role in their child's learning process. Below are some important steps parents can take to support their child's success in school.

- Provide a study environment for learning at home.
- Provide resources for learning including books and magazines and utilize the local library.
- Get to know your child's teacher. Let your child's teacher know that you are ready to work together.
- Meet and talk with other parents and school staff.
- Learn about your school's curriculum and support services.
- Provide encouragement for homework.
- Encourage your child to talk to teachers if he or she does not understand an assignment.
- Read and talk about information sent home from school.
- Ask your child about his or her school day ~ what was learned, new experiences, friends, etc.
- Recognize progress and praise efforts that are made.

Choose to be Kind

The character trait for September is Kindness. Please discuss the talking points with your child.

Kindness is the act or the state of charitable behavior to other people. A person is considered kind if he/she shows

- *Consideration
- *Politeness
- *Thoughtfulness
- *Show others you care

August Students of the Month

- Sawyer Robert
- Terrica Fox
- Ja'Kirah Shields
- Makaila McGee
- Diamond Gordan
- Miracle Buckhalter



Welcome
Mrs. Nicole
Lawrence
to Mitchell
as a 4th
grade
teacher!!

STUDENT'S SCHEDULE

Breakfast 7:30 – 7:55
Classes Begin 8:05
Dismissal 3:10
If your child is tardy, someone must bring him/her to the office.

Linking Together for a Brighter Tomorrow



The CMSD school counselors invite you to attend a community-wide education fair on Thursday, September 6th from 2:00–6:00 at the Brandon Central Office. Over 30 community agencies will be there to provide information that will help your child. There will also be door prizes, refreshments, and special bonus for students who attend. We hope to see you there!!!!

Please
send
School
Fees
ASAP
\$15