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Upcoming Events

- February 22
Family Literacy Night
6 PM
- February 23-24
OLSAT Testing for
Second Grade Students
- March 1
Tuskegee Field Trip for
Baker, Gibbs, Young, and
Spencer
- March 7
Spring Pictures for
Kdg, 2nd grade, 4 year
olds and M/W 3 year olds
- March 7
1st Grade Art & Music
Night 6 PM
- March 8
Spring Pictures
1st grade and T/TH 3 year
olds
- March 14-18
Spring Break
- April 4
2nd Grade Art & Music
Night 6 PM

From the office of Dr. Shelley Aistrup,

Dear AEEC Parents and Families,

The Jump Rope For Heart service project is in full swing! We are so proud of the response we have received from our students and families. If you haven't already, please register for our school team at "heart.org/jump" or by searching "Jump/Hoops" in the app store.

In Physical Education and on the morning broadcast, our students are learning what they can do to keep their hearts healthy and how they can help others by collecting donations for the American Heart Association.

Donations will be accepted until March 4th. Please be sure that all checks are made out to American Heart Association and not AEEC.



As with all of our community service projects, we strive to help our students learn to have compassion and empathy for others.

Dr. Shelley A. Aistrup, Principal

The second grade field trip to Tuskegee for Baker, Gibbs, Young, and Spencer has been rescheduled for Tuesday, March 1.

New SMART Boards in all classrooms!

Thanks to the PTO, local school funds, and Auburn City Schools, all classrooms will have new SMART boards this year. The boards have been ordered and should be delivered within the next 6 weeks. Installation will begin in the second grade classrooms once they arrive. Two of the new boards are already here. Stop by our Media Center to check out the board's clarity and ease of use!

Dr. Aistrup is participating in the 2016 Global Studies Program to South Korea. This semester, she is participating in a monthly class with 12 other educators from Eastern Alabama to learn more about Korean society and culture. On May 27, she will travel to Seoul for 10 days to visit schools, attend university lectures, visit historically significant sites, participate in cultural exchanges, and tour Korean automobile companies. This program is made possible by donations from AJIN USA, Hanwha L&C Alabama, Seohan Auto USA, Daewon America LLC, Iljin Alabama, Mando America Corporation, Hyundai Polytech America Company, Hyundai Sungwoo Auto, LeeHan America, Amiso Restaurant, and Outreach at Auburn University. "I am excited for this opportunity and look forward to sharing my experiences with others," says Dr. Aistrup.

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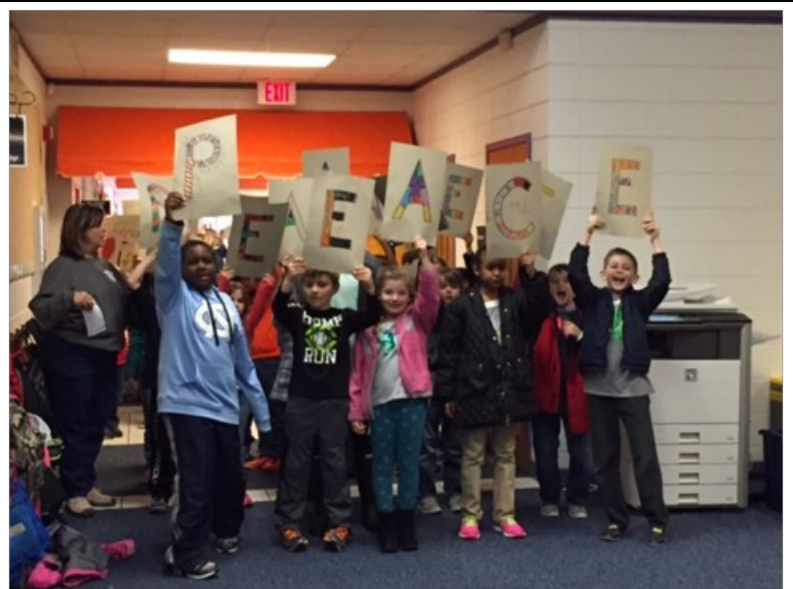
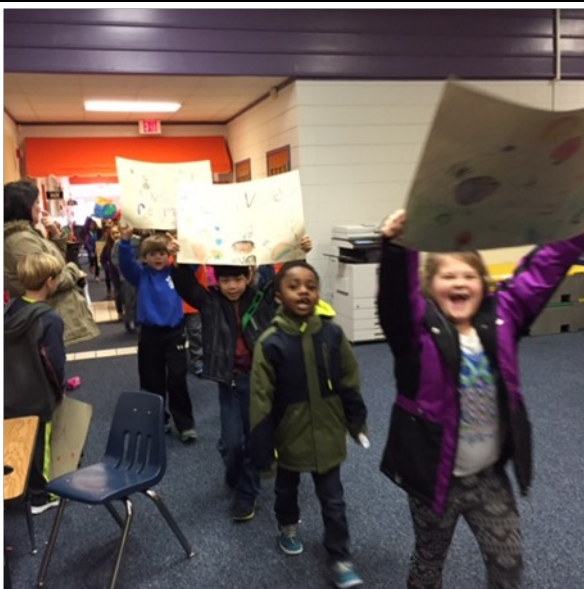
Eating Healthy!

Looking for a way for your child's lunch to be healthier? Try school lunch! Did you know that all meals provided at school are based on the Dietary Guidelines for Americans? Schools must offer students fruits and vegetables with every lunch. Vegetable choices at lunch must include weekly offerings of: legumes, dark green, and red or orange vegetables. A newly added menu items at our ACS elementary schools is the School Bites Box highlighting soft pretzels, hummus, and veggies. It's yum!



On Monday, February 1st, the kindergarten students sang a variety of songs and shared their art work with their parents. The evening was well attended and the children were simply precious! Thank you to Dr. Hollingsworth and Mrs. Daniel for all of their hard work putting the show together. Thank you to all of the parents who helped to set up beforehand and tear down afterwards.

As a culmination of their study of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Civil Rights movement, the second grade students held a Peace March on Friday, January 22. Students sang songs, cheered, and carried posters through the building and around the outside of the school.



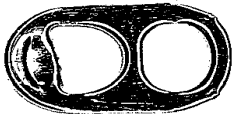
Auburn Early Education Center's Reminder Page

Please be sure to collect the following items and send them to AEEC!

PTO collects:



As a school, we collect:



Little HAPIE Tree Preschool collects reward points for:

- Kellogg's**
- Coca-Cola**
- Huggies**
- Pampers**

THANK YOU!!

We appreciate your support of our school!



When you send money to school, please place the money in an envelope with your child's name, the teacher's name, and the purpose of the money. This helps us to keep track of funds and make sure the money goes to the right source!

February is National Children's Dental Health Month and we are encouraging all kids to join the Sugar Wars Team and fight for good dental health! Remember to brush twice a day, rinse after snacking, floss daily and choose low sugar snacks.

Auburn City Schools Dental Clinic is here to help you win the fight against tooth decay! We offer free dental services to qualified students.

Please contact us for more information:

Joy Stanley, Dental Clinic Supervisor

AEEC Yearbooks are \$30 if ordered before February 29, 2016. To order, request a form from the office or order online at www.jostensyearbooks.com

Parents are welcome to email Mrs. Kristin Daniel, Art Teacher, any QUALITY GROUP pictures taken at school throughout the year to be used in the yearbook. Email pictures to ksdaniel@auburnschools.org

Class pictures are here! The cost is \$10.00.



The Little H.A.P.I.E. Tree Preschool
...helping children learn and grow

Fundraiser for Auburn City Schools Foundation - FACES

Boda Getta BBQ

March 4 and 5

at University Station RV Resort

Friday 5-11 PM and Saturday 9 AM to 5 PM

For applications and more information: www.bodagettabbq.com

Like Auburn Early Education Center's Facebook Page for news and updates.

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Thank you to the Jason Dufner Foundation for supporting AEEC! Currently, 185 students in our school receive a food package each weekend to help families stretch their resources. We appreciate the JD Foundation's support and are looking forward to a closer relationship with the Foundation in the future. Be on the look out for new logos and ways that you can help end hunger in Lee County!

Congratulations to Natalie Schoonover!

Natalie is one of the winners of the Auburn City Schools Superintendent's Art Show for 2016. Natalie's artwork, along with fourteen other ACS students' work, was selected for State level competition. Her artwork has been on display in Montgomery in the Old Supreme Court Library of the Alabama State Capitol.

Over the next few months, the newsletter will feature research about the policy of school retention. Our goal at AEEC is to provide students with a rich academic experience that is focused on each student's individual needs. Therefore, the practice of retaining students should be a rare occasion.

"Retention is the practice of not promoting students up a grade level in school and it is based on the belief that children learn more academically by repeating a grade (Fait, 1982). Overall, there are negative effects for students who are retained, and there are more positive effects in the long term for promoted students than for retained students – even when matched for achievement at the time of decision to retain or promote.

Retention has been found to have a negative effect on academic achievement in language arts, reading, mathematics, work-study skills, social studies, and grade point average. Promoted students score better than retained students on social and emotional adjustment, and behavior, self concept, and attitude towards school."

From Visible Learning by John Hattie, 2009.

Check your email for information regarding next week's literacy activities!

Monday—Friday
Join us for lunch and a visit to the Book Fair.

Dress as your favorite book character on Monday, February 22.

Family Literacy Night is Monday, February 22 from 6 to 7 PM.

We are looking for volunteers!

Are you interested (or do you know someone who might be interested) in listening to students read aloud or helping them with sight words and/or math facts?

When would the volunteer be needed? Once or twice a week, any day of the week, for at least an hour. Starting now.

Please call Mrs. Todd, assistant principal, at 334-887-4950 or email dntodd@auburnschools.org for more information.

Thank you for helping us to be sure our students improve their skills in reading and math!!!