

## PICK ELEMENTARY

ON THE CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER:

SEPTEMBER 13-  
PROGRESS REPORTS GO HOME

SEPTEMBER 13-  
SCHOOL PICTURE DAY! SMILE BIG!

SEPTEMBER 28-  
RUN, READ, LEAD AT PES- PART OF OUR FUNDRAISER!

OCTOBER 7-  
STRUM AND STRIVE AT PES! AN AFTERNOON OF MUSIC, FOOD AND FUN!

SEPTEMBER STAFF BIRTHDAYS

2nd J. Beth

3rd L. Greathouse

13th A. Nichols

30th C. Williams

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## BE THE DIFFERENCE!

Thank you all for a wonderful start to our new academic year!

We appreciate everyone for coming out for "Meet Your Teacher". Thank you for those of you who were able to attend our *Curriculum Connections* evening August 23rd. If you have questions about your child's academic progress at any time this year, please contact your child's teacher and schedule a conference. Your relationship with your child's teacher is very important to your child's success.

Our theme this year is "**BE**". We are encouraging our students to *Be* amazing people through their actions and words and to *Be A Leader* everyday! There are many ways throughout the year that we will work

to encourage and support leadership opportunities from our PES students.

**Beginning of the year assessments**— All students at PES have been hard at work taking beginning of the year assessments in Math and Reading. These assessment scores help our teachers make instructional decisions for each child. All PES students should be reading each evening for at least 20 minutes. Research has shown that students who read nightly have an expanded vocabulary, better comprehension, stronger fluency rates and learn to love a variety of text genres. Please consider joining our Auburn Public Library so your child can visit and learn

to appreciate and enjoy reading for pleasure.

PES has been selected as a **Bicentennial site!** This means that PES is one of 200 schools selected as an official site. We will work together as a school family this year on a special project to highlight our state's great history. This is a big honor for PES and we are very proud of it!

**BOX TOPS**— Please continue to get friends and family to save **Box-tops for Education this year!** Every single one counts!

**Handbook 101 reminders**— Student Safety is very important to us at PES. We are asking that families work with us to abide by safe practices when dropping their children off in the morning, waiting at the bus stop and picking children up at the end of the academic day. Car Riders— are to remain in the car until the 7:05am bell. Please be reminded that our school hours are 7:30am– 2:20pm. This means students should already be in the building, settled to start the day and ready to learn when the bell rings at 7:30am. A strong start in the morning can make a big difference in your child's day. Students eating breakfast at school should plan to arrive before 7:25am to have time to get their breakfast and get to class by 7:30am. We thank everyone for working together to keep our PES Leaders safe!

### **STRUM and STRIVE**—

Our annual PTO Fundraiser will be held in September. Information will go home in a few weeks. Please keep Sunday, October 7, 2018 on your calendar to attend our **STRUM and STRIVE** event held right here at PES. There will be live music, food trucks and lots of activities for the whole family. The event is free to the public.

If you or your business would like to be a corporate sponsor of our school, please contact our fundraising chairperson, Natalie Stanley. Donations are being accepted now!

### **Ways you can support PES students:**

1. Join our PTO -\$5.00 per family
2. Strum and Strive Fundraiser
3. Collect Box Tops for Education
4. Volunteer for special events
5. Help work our 2 Book fairs
6. Send in requested items to your child's teacher for special projects
7. Attend conferences and meetings regarding your child's education this year