

NCPTA Executive Director Visits WES

On January 14 Debra Horton, Executive Director for North Carolina Parent Teachers Association, dropped by Wadesboro Elementary School to tutor children and engage in a little physical activity.



Ms. Shaw's class was extremely welcoming of Ms. Horton and Marianne Hedrick, Healthy Active Communities grant coordinator, also with NC PTA. Ms. Horton travels the state and country spreading the news of how PII activities are changing the lives of children in Anson and other counties across North Carolina. We appreciate Ms. Horton's support and fundraising efforts on behalf of the Parent Involvement Initiative.

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And the Winner is...

Stacey Hall, mother of Alexius Dalton!!!

Ms. Hall qualified for the "Parent Involvement Rewards" \$10 gift card drawing on March 1st. This is the first of many drawings between now and the end of the school year. If your student is in Ms. Shaw's class you can qualify for the drawing by checking and SIGNING your child's homework folder every day for ten days straight. The next drawing is on Monday, March 15th.

When we started the "Parent Involvement Rewards" program at the beginning of the second quarter, we had no idea that it would be a huge success. But, we are pleased to say that parents are really stepping up to the plate by signing their children's daily communicators and reviewing homework folders every day.

Since all the research says that children of involved parents do better in school, it is also no surprise that grades for many of the kids whose parents are checking and signing folders daily are doing better. So we want to salute Alexius' mother for checking and signing her homework folder.



Alexius Dalton took her mom's gift card home on March 1st



Wadesboro ES Welcomes Family, Community

Not all schools do a good job of welcoming family and community members into the classroom. But, since Ms. Ratliff became principal a year ago, Wadesboro Elementary has made an intentional effort to open its doors and embrace the benefits of having parents and local volunteers get involved in the education experience.

Parents like Lanessa Cole have taken the new opportunity to sit in her daughter’s classroom and provide encouragement during a recently scheduled talent show.

Because of her mother and father’s support, 4th grader Tenisha Little is a very determined student who loves to read and write. She especially enjoys the “Letter Exchange” that her teacher, Ms.



Tenisha Little, brother Rodmezz and mom

Shaw, started for the class to help them develop proper writing skills. On average, Tenisha writes about 10 full-page letters per week to classmates and school staff.

**** “Word of the Week” Winners****

Every week students are introduced to a high level vocabulary word. They must find as many words within the bigger word that are at least three letters. Students win prizes for having the most real and correctly spelled words. The list of winners is below:

Week 1 (1/22) – “Superintendent” (Jeremias Ingram – 1st place, Cruz Honeycutt – 2nd place)

Week 2 (1/29) – “Eradicate” (Tenisha Little – 1st, Marshall Little, 2nd)

Week 3 (2/5) – Integrity (Tenisha Little – 1st, Dequandre Watts – 2nd, Tyler Lear & Moesha Mercado – 3rd)

Week 4 (2/12) – Hyperactive (Dequandre Watts – 1st, Tenisha Little – 2nd, Marshall Little – 3rd)

Week 5 (2/19) – Luxurious

Week 6 (2/26) – Exhilarate (Alissa Cross – 1st, Louis Bennett – 2nd, Marshall Little – 3rd)

Week 7 (3/5) – Unreliable (?????)

Thanks to those of you parents who have encouraged your children to find more words and expand their vocabulary! It will definitely help them in life and during EOG testing time.



Good Job - Way to Go!!!

Great big thanks goes to the following students who got their homework folders checked and signed for ten days straight between February 15 and February 26. Their parents were entered into the “Parent Involvement Rewards” \$10 gift card raffle!

Octavia Chambers	Octavion Harrell	Zephany Polk
Alissa Cross	Jeremias Ingram	Trinton Terry
Alexius Dalton	Tyler Lear	Zion Witherspoon
Aquarius Dunlap	Tenisha Little	❖

Upcoming Activities:

- ★ 5th Grade EOG Science Night - March 16th
- ★ Parent Teacher Conferences - March 18th
- ★ Ms. Shaw’s class Easter Party - April 2nd
- ★ Spring Break (no school) - April 5-9
- ★ EOG Testing Begins the week of May 17th

Reminders:



- Check your child’s folder daily
- Sign the daily communicator and discuss behavior issues with your child
- Follow up on chronic classroom issues
- Ask your child about his or her day - you might be pleasantly surprised at the response