



# RAIDERTOWN TIMES QUARTERLY NEWS

## 2nd Quarter Newsletter

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## 2021 RCES Christmas Parade Highlights

On Friday, December 17th, RCES students, staff, and parents were happy to welcome back our school's long standing tradition of the RCES Christmas Parade! We missed it last year due to Covid. The parade is the most enjoyable event at our school and the students in Pre-K through third grade dressed in their winter attire and holiday costumes to get everyone into the holiday spirit. Our parade was lead by our RCES 2021 Teacher of the year, Mrs. Cynthia Kilgus. Mrs. Kilgus teaches 2nd grade. What a grand kick-off for our winter break! Thank you to all the teachers and students for making this year's parade a wonderful event filled with joyful memories.



# CLASSROOM LESSONS!

## Learning like Champions @ RCES

### Kindergarteners Learn Sight Words

In Mrs. Pulaski's kindergarten class the students have been learning sight words. They have been doing a wonderful job on the sight words, too. Mrs. Pulaski's class has learned a total of 72 sight words!! The students have learned words like.....Yes, I, And, My, Look....plus many more. So, let's all shout out a word of appreciation to her class as they have worked hard to learn these sight words.

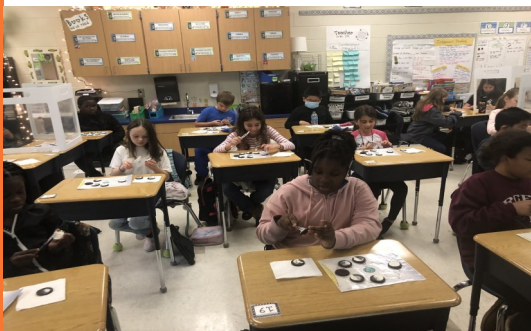


**The NOT so crazy KRAZY MAZE!** 6th grade teacher Mrs. Hammond had a bright idea on a rainy day to take her class to the yellow hall Krazy Maze for inside recess. The students had a great time learning and participating in the Krazy Maze. The Krazy Maze helps kids use movement to improve brain function. The maze is a part of the Action Based Learning program. The 12 foundations of learning readiness are.... cross the midline, body in space, balance, visual development, rhythm, tactile learning, motor skills, eye/hand and/or eye/foot coordination, physical fitness, cardiovascular fitness, problem solving, and self-management. This is something fun and helps your brain function.

**Winter Learning Fun!** Mrs. Rutland and Mrs. Barbara Turner's 4K Class had fun wearing P.J.s to school and watching *The Polar Express* while enjoying hot chocolate and popcorn. They also loved dressing up on Grinch Day!



**Oreo Moon Phases:** Mrs. Hewitt, Mrs. Hurst and Mrs. Etheridge's 4th grade classes enjoyed making edible visuals of the phases of the moon using nothing better than yummy, delicious Oreos!



**Educational Field Trip:** December 9, 2021 Mrs. Thomas's 3rd grade class took a field trip to Cornerstone Church in Orangeburg to watch their performances of *The Nutcracker* and *The Polar Express*.



## RCES + Community Collaboration =

### A Win-Win for Everyone!

#### Food Share Program

By Jordan Johnson  
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The food share is a program that shares fruit and vegetables with the community. On Thursday, December 2nd, the amazing 6th graders helped unload food share boxes to deliver and share food with every student in the school. There were foods, such as grapes, bananas, and spinach, in the boxes. The 6th graders had tons of fun helping out! It was wonderful seeing all 6th graders working together and helping one another. Some of the Bamberg high school students came out and helped the little kids get their boxes on their buses. What great teamwork!

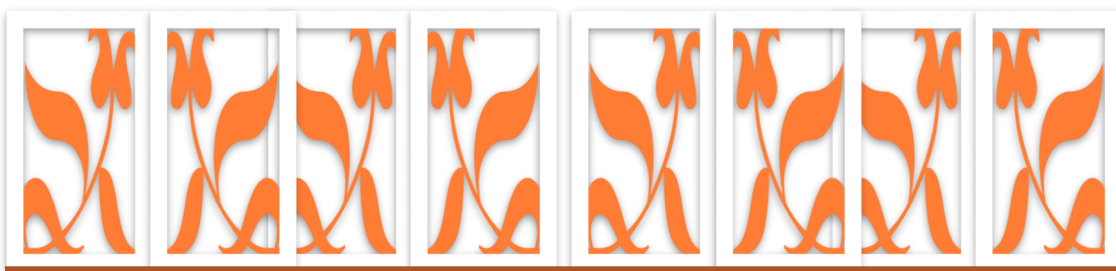


**RCES students & The Bamberg Christmas Parade:** Several RCES students participated in the local parade in downtown Bamberg to kick off the holiday season. Thank you to the city of Bamberg.



**Phoenix Sponsors the RCES School Store:** This year our school store is being supported by Phoenix. The store's grand opening for students was the beginning of the 2nd 9 weeks. Students earn Phoenix Bucks from their teachers or other staff. Students then choose to exchange their bucks for items needed here at school like erasers, pencils, markers, and so many more! Students run the store with the assistance of Mrs. Ann Boykin, our guidance counselor, and Renee Jeffcoat. Thank you to Phoenix for your grand support of RCES and our students.





## RCES 3rd Quarter Calendar

January 10-14, 2022 - E-Learning/Virtual week of school for students  
 January 10-End of 2nd Quarter  
 January 11-Teacher's Professional Development Day ; *No Virtual School for students*  
 January 14-Report Cards Go Home CHANGED to January 18, Tuesday  
 January 17-Martin Luther King Holiday  
 January 25-School Improvement Council (SIC) Meeting, 5 p.m., Media Center @ RCES  
 February 2-Coffee with The Principal, 7:30 a.m. Media Center  
 February 15-Literacy Night, 6:00-7:30 p.m. @ RCES  
 February 21-Presidents' Day Holiday  
 February 22-Interims sent home  
 March 2-Coffee with The Principal, 7:30 a.m. Media Center  
 March 1- Yearbook order deadline @ RCES (All forms & payment due in office).  
 March 3-Spring Picture Day  
 March 17-End of 3rd Quarter  
 March 18-Make-up Day 2 or Holiday  
 April 1-Last day to online order Yearbook\*Link is on the RCES website or below.  
 April 11-15-Spring Break

### 2021-2022 RCES Yearbook Ordering



Order forms with \$20 payment may be given to the main office by 3/1/2022. Online orders are accepted until 4/1/2022. Please click the link below or go to the RCES website for the link to order. Yearbooks arrive in late May.

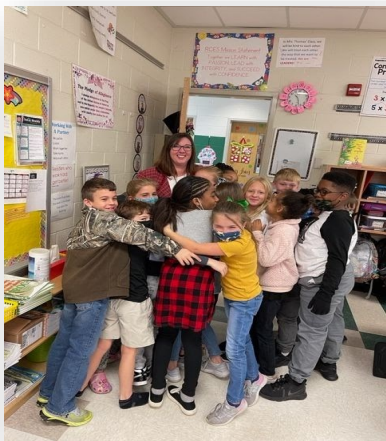
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### RCES Lost Coats & Sweaters



Parents & Students: We have a large amount of coats & sweaters on our Lost & Found coat rack in Synergy Square at RCES. Please come by and see if you can find your lost items!

## RCES: Where Happiness & Learning Meet !



Mrs. Thomas's 3rd graders welcomed Dr. Evans to the room with big hugs!

Mrs. Warren's and it's history! Happy kids love to learn! Kindergarten class learned so much about Thanksgiving



