

October 22, 2008



Renee Mallory
Principal

"Our Vision"

Wilson Elementary School's Vision is to serve the needs of Our Military's Children so that they will excel in learning and life.

Principal's News

Dear Wilson Parents:

Wilson teachers and staff are currently actively involved in school improvement initiatives and will be analyzing data and examining best practices to insure that Wilson students get a 21st Century Education. Our students will face many challenges as they grow up and it is our job to teach them to become responsible citizens of a global society. We had our Peer Review visit last week and got very positive feedback about our progress thus far. School improvement is continuous and is a process, not a product. We welcome parent participation and will be asking for your input as we prepare Wilson students for the future. The best education is a partnership between teachers, parents and students!!

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East Meets West Indian Style

By: B. O. and J. H.

On Tuesday, October 14, our entire school had the chance to learn about some differences between the Native Americans from the eastern and western regions of the United States from an actual member of the Comanche Tribe and an actual member of the Muscogee Tribe.

The tribe members, who are in town for the annual Ossahatchee Indian Festival, talked to us about the history of their tribes, the foods they use to eat, the types of homes they lived in, as well as the weapons and tools used in each tribe. They brought many interesting things for us to look at and they played native music for us.

But, the best part was when Miss K. got to hold a skunk skin while one tribe member showed us how to use a blow dart to shoot it. Ms. K. didn't even flinch.



Richard G. Wilson Elementary Mission Statement

The mission of Richard G. Wilson School is to serve the special and unique needs of military children in a challenging and supportive learning environment, preparing each student academically, socially, and personally to become a successful, self-disciplined, life-long learner in an ever-changing global environment.

Written By: All Stakeholders

Parent Reading Night

Teachers and parents joined together to celebrate reading on September 18th at Wilson's Parent Reading Night. Students got a taste of several different literary genres and parents had an opportunity to learn how to use their children's lexile levels to help them select appropriate books to maximize learning. Following the activities all of the students selected a book as a door prize.



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Parent Academy

Wilson's first Parent Academy of the year was held October 2nd. The topic for this academy was Internet Safety and the presenter was Wilson Educational Technology expert, Mrs. N. Many of the parents who attended were surprised at some of the dangers associated with children using the internet. Childcare was provided and door prizes were given.



Citizen of the Month

Wilson held its first Citizen of the Month assembly on October 8th. This year a member of HHC 197th Infantry Brigade, our Partners in Education, will be part of the celebration. They provided beautiful certificates for each citizen of the month and several soldiers were on hand to congratulate the students including Captain T, Chaplain G and SGT MAJ. J. Students also received a coupon for a free meal at Red Robin and had pizza with the principal on October 15th (sponsored by the Wilson PTO).

Citizens of the Month



PIE Kickoff

Wilson students and teachers welcomed our Partners in Education, HHC 197th Infantry Brigade, at our PIE Kickoff on October 16th. Quite a few of our soldiers were present for the ceremony. Mr. W's Chorus got everyone going with their song, Motivation, and LT COL P, CPT T and Chaplain G gave us words of encouragement and inspiration.



Help the Hooch

We had a great turnout for our Help the Hooch Kids Care outing. The kids cleaned up a trailer park on Victory Drive and it was, to say the least, an eye opener for the children. We found all kinds of interesting things.



Re-Enlistment

C. B.'s mother, SPC J. R. re-enlisted in the Army on October 6th. SPC R. wanted to have the ceremony at school in C's classroom. It was also a special day for C since it was his birthday! It was a great experience for Mrs. H's entire class.



Calendar of Events

- 21 October Fall Festival 5:30-7:30
- 23 October Mentor Kickoff
- 24 October Breakfast Buddies Kickoff
- 24 October Family Movie Night 5:30
- 28 October Kids to College (5th Grade field trip)
- 4 November Election Day-Please Vote
- 11 November Veteran's Day Holiday – No School
- 17 November Santa Shop begins!

Eat Thanksgiving Lunch with your child.

We will be serving Thanksgiving Lunch at Wilson School on November 6th. This is your invitation to enjoy a delicious lunch with your child. Please call Ms. M. in the cafeteria to make your reservation.

All reservations must be made by Thursday, October 30th.
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