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Happy winter to everyone. As we are snuggled in our homes and school, I want to share how hard our third-fifth grade students are working and preparing for the Georgia Milestones Testing. The teachers have analyzed data so it could drive all of their instruction. With this, students are receiving personalized instruction, project-based learning, student organized learning environments, centers, and much more. Everyone is working hard to ensure that all students are feeling success and that they are ready to continue their learning journey.

Tips from BES

1. Students remember more when they restate the information they are studying in their own words than when they reread it.
2. Studying material for a short time each day for several days works better than trying to learn and understand everything in one long study session.
3. Kids learn in all kinds of ways, depending on the situation. No one learning style is always best for a student.

Point out reasons to read Showing your child that you think reading is important is an effective way to motivate your child to read more. Here are some ways:

- Share interesting facts and ideas with your child that you come across while reading.
- Talk about why you are reading—for information, to verify things you think you know, to relax, etc.
- Look up new words you read in the dictionary. Ask if your child knows the meaning. Use the words in conversation.



CONGRATULATIONS!!!!!!!

Before Christmas break, students in Mr. Jett and Mr. Hester's class had an opportunity to write and submit stories for consideration for publication to *Little Thoughts Press*, a literary magazine for kids. Several stories were accepted.

Tristan Atkinson, Abby Dahlberg, Amelia Alecia (Amelia's story was shortlisted), and Jordan Williams will have their stories published on the *Little Thoughts* website.

Ellie Cole's story will appear in the next print issue of *Little Thoughts* magazine.

According to the editor of *Little Thoughts*, Claire Taylor, there were over 150 submissions to the magazine. Getting a story published is a great achievement!

The print issue with Ellie's story should be available in late February or early March. The online only stories will begin appearing on the *Little Thoughts* website around the same time. BES is very proud of these young writers - congratulations!

The Little Thoughts website is:

<https://littletoughtspress.wixsite.com/ltpmag>

Pictured

Front row (L-R): Jordan Williams, Ellie Cole

Back row (L-R): Tristan Atkinson, Abby Dahlberg, Amelia Alecia



February 1st Book Fair Begins

February 2nd PBIS Special Snack

February 2nd Progress Reports

February 3rd Daddy Daughter
Dance 6:00 – 7:30 pm

February 6th Parent Teacher
Conference

February 8th Club and Class
Pictures

February 24th FCA Huddle Meet

February 28th – Read Across
America Week

