



A Message from our Principal

Greetings,

We have completed the 1st 90 days of school. The first semester was a success! We have received several recognitions and rewards including the Atlanta Partnership in Education for our strong business relationship with the Hyatt Regency Atlanta. Additionally, we were awarded the Chick-fil-A Core Essentials Program from our newest partner in education Chick-fil-A at Greenbriar Mall.

Academically, students continue to excel! Teachers are working hard to ensure that your child receives a solid education to prepare them for the next grade level and beyond. We have adopted the motto of "Teaching our Way to the TOP!!" Moving forward into the next 90 days we are focused on preparing our children for promotion. We would like you to partner with us by helping your child complete the Reading Response forms, ensuring that students complete their homework daily, encourage them to remain engaged and disciplined in class, and come to school daily.

Thank you for choosing Venetian Hills Elementary School.

Upcoming Events

January

- 10th - PTA Meeting (6 p.m.)
- 13th - Principal's Round Table
- 16th - No School
- 18th - Student of the Month Celebration (1:00 p.m.)
- 19th - Spirit Night @ Chick-fil-A Greenbriar Mall
- 26th - 20-Day Perfect Attendance Celebration (1:00 p.m.)
- 28th - Saturday Academy Begins

February

- 3rd - CRCT Movie Night
- 6th - 14th Strong4Life Celebrations
- 9th - Awards Day
- 10th - Picture Day
- 13th - Perfect Attendance Celebration
- 14th - "We Love Someone Special"
- 15th - Job Shadow Day @ The Hyatt Regency
- 16th - Spirit Night @ Chick-fil-A Greenbriar Mall
- 17th & 20th - No School
- 22nd - Principal's Round Table (9:00 a.m.)
- 22nd - Local School Council Meeting (11:00 a.m.)
- 22nd - Student of the Month Celebration (1:00 p.m.)

Teacher of the Month - January



Ms. Karen Batiste
4th Grade Teacher

"Educating children to develop their fullest potential is a teacher's responsibility. My focus is to equip every child with the skills needed to be productive citizens in society."

Teacher of the Month - February



Mrs. Veronica Kirk
Special Education
Teacher

I am really honored for your support shown by selecting me as January's "Teacher of the Month". I love teaching special education. The challenges are intellectually stimulating, and the relationships I am able to develop with my students are wonderful. I really appreciate the support and interactions that many of you show my students."

The Principal's Book of the

Month "The Widow's Broom"
by Chris Van Allsburg



Some of Minna Shaw's neighbors don't trust her clever broom. "It's dangerous," they say. "It's a wild, wicked thing." Minna disagrees. She appreciates the broom's help around the house. She enjoys its quiet company. It seems perfectly innocent and hardworking to her.

But one day two children get a well-deserved thrashing from the broom. For her neighbors, this is proof of the broom's evil spirit.

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Students of the Month - January

KINDERGARTEN

Alaina Nance
Banjougou Tambadou
Terri Tolbert
Therian Allen

FIRST GRADE

Kymani Henry
Make'l Render
Aaliyah Segal
Reginald Hightower

SECOND GRADE

Demartavis
Alexander
Morgan Lockett
Jashiah Turner

THIRD GRADE

Joshua Rotan
Scherasade Lewis
Tyshawna Morris

FOURTH GRADE

Kowanna Hodo
Arias Anderson
Jennifer Navarrete

FIFTH GRADE

Joshua Loyd
Kayla McDowell
Tai Bridges

Students of the Month - February

KINDERGARTEN

Donbria Taylor
Zykee Rodgers
Makaila Johnson
Ayana Copeland

FIRST GRADE

Brooke Brown
Geriya Ellis
Olivia Wheat
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SECOND GRADE

Jamiya Cook
Gloria Oteri
Theresa Ward

THIRD GRADE

Bubakary
Drammeh Daron
Frazier Jaymes
Mincey

FOURTH GRADE

Amira Henderson
Destiny Morris
Makalah Yarrell

FIFTH GRADE

Joe Williams
Danessa
Thurmond Rolonda
Stovall

"Reminders"

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

The PTA meets every second
Tuesday of each month at 6:00
p.m.

Annual Dues: \$ 6.00 per family

**Support Your School
and Join the PTA !!!**

School Uniforms Monday – Thursday

BOYS: Hunter Green or
White shirt, Khaki pants
GIRLS: Hunter Green or
White shirt/blouse, Khaki
pants, skirt or jumper

Friday

School Spirit Day - School
t-shirt and jeans

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