

THE TOUCH OF THE PAST

The best way to remember 9/11 is to learn from it, and the Boys Girls and Adults Community Development Center spent the 11th anniversary of the tragic events teaching its lessons to about 240 students in the Marvell-Elaine school district.

At the Kidz Zone Daycare, BGACDC's AmeriCorps volunteer Shaneice Holman read a short story entitled "A Day With Firefighters and Police



BGACDC AmeriCorps volunteer Tounya Sims reads to the children at Marvell Elementary School

Officers" to 15 children, and AmeriCorps volunteers acted out the roles of firefighters and police officers. At the elementary school, the children were treated to a firsthand description of emergency operations from Pafford Ambulance Services, the Marvell Fire Department, the Marvell Police Department, and the Marvell High School nurse. They learned how to use 9-1-1, the emergency response system.

Outside, the children got to closely inspect police cars, fire trucks and emergency vehicles, seeing their lights flashing and hearing their sirens blaring.

For some 240 students at the elementary school, BGACDC staffers, AmeriCorps volunteers and teachers explained the importance of 9/11 and how it changed the country.

In the Marvell-Elaine school district, September 11, 2012 was a day of learning and remembering.



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