



“Be a Part of the Pride!!”

February Panther Prowl

“Birthday Corner”

Beth Morrell- March 9

Sherry Wallace- March 10

Daphne Rodman- March 10

Jodi Sims- March 18

Mary Jones- March 24

Enrollment: 270 PREP/EC- 69 Kindergarten- 82 Grade 1-65 Grade 2- 54

Good Things

- Staff are getting ‘mugged’ by each other on a daily basis. Mugging began on the first of the month and will continue through May.
- Kindness Celebrations
- 100 Days of School
- Tuesday 2-22-22!!

On January 25 we celebrated Kindness and Respect in the gym with an all school assembly. We used teacher ‘walk up’ songs for the celebration music and students tried to guess which teacher belonged to which song. Students LOVED seeing teacher’s reactions to their favorite song being played as part of the celebration!

January Kindness winners were: Cora Tarrant, Jack Jones, Mason Presnell, Owen Stay, Lettie Ann Ginger, Ryden Bauer, Blake Chrispen, Henry Keeling, Zariyah Dunn, Bailey Mathis, Vinnie Dilley and Marvin Rickett.

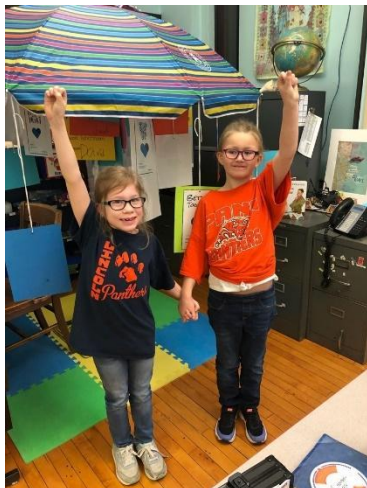
We also celebrated the Character trait of RESPECT. We learned that respect means that you treat other people like they would want to be treated. Showing respect means that you act with thoughtfulness towards others AND toward yourself. You are courteous and polite and do not interrupt with others are talking. Respectful people use an appropriate tone of voice and facial expression that shows that they value other people’s opinions and they accept people like they are- Even if they are different from you! The students celebrated for showing respect in all situations were: Landon Stork, Emmie Guiot, Roman Smith, Hazel Hubbartt, Axton Green, Brantley Daniels, Joey Ohsner, Paisley Koontz, Joshua Allen-Vernon, Bentley Fields, Bristol Wilhour and Olivia Martell. Thank you to all of the parents who have taught their kiddos to be kind and respectful. Student photos with their awards appeared recently in the Pana and Taylorville newspapers and were displayed for the month on the bulletin board outside the office.

On January 28th we celebrated 100 days of school! A full day of doing 100 things 100 times was sooooo much fun! Kindergarten classes celebrated by counting 100 fruit loops and making necklaces, celebration hats and home projects, and the counting of 100 objects and grouping them into 10’s. Grade 1 created a book of objects grouped into 10’s to equal 100 of multiple objects. Additionally, they sorted “snack” into 100 teeny tiny groups. Grade 2 did center rotations that included math and technology, math with dice, and a writing project that included things that they would and would NOT want to have 100 of. Music and excitement were the order of the day! Photos of these celebrations were posted on classroom dojo for parents to enjoy and also out onto the panaschools web site for the community.

The January Dilly Bar classroom attendance award went to Mrs. Morrell with a 96.17% attendance rate. The overall Kindergarten attendance was 90.61%, Grade 1 was 91.09%, and Grade 2 was 92.20%. Congratulations to all these students who are in attendance, healthy and ready to learn each day.

Students at Washington School colored and created Valentine cards that were delivered to area Nursing homes to be shared with the residents there on Monday February 14th. Kindness toward others was celebrated during the classroom celebrations with discussions about caring and respect for others EVERY day being the highlight of the celebrations.

Students at Washington School celebrated the once in a lifetime date of 2-22-22 by wearing tutu's and ties, and some students dressing like twins. We had an all school hallway dance party at 2:22 pm that lasted 2 minutes and 22 seconds! Please check out our posts on the web site to see the amazing tutu creations and the additional dance party celebration pictures. What were YOU doing at 2:22 on 2-22-22???? These kiddos will always remember.....





Can you read that shirt?

“I was in Kindergarten on Tuesday 2-22-22!!!” And wearing a tutu by the way!

We celebrated our Kindness Kounts and Character Education winners on February 25th with an all school assembly. Students LOVE the excitement and positive feedback energy that is generated when we are all together and joyful! It is something that has been missed over the last couple of years. The February celebration began with all of the weekly Panther Paw good behavior winners being announced and taking their turn to parade (and dance) around the gym while the classrooms cheered on their friends! Those students are ‘the front row club’ with seats IN THE FRONT ROW for the rest of the festivities :0)

The February Kindness Kounts winners were: June Walker, Novalee Hawker, Zoey Kile, Hazel Hubbartt, Faith Stokes, Ryden Bauer, Alice Watson, Charlee Butkauskas, Kohen Smith, Saulomon Cloe, Silas Cushing and

Olivia Martell. Thank you to these students for displaying kindness to others, and to these parents for raising such wonderful kids.

The Character Trait of Exceptional Kindness was also celebrated at Washington School. Staff members carried little pink hearts around all month and when they 'caught' someone doing a random act of kindness, they acknowledged the act by placing a heart on their classroom door displaying the student's name. The doors filled up over the course of the month, and at the end of the month we celebrated the student from each classroom who had received the most hearts from our staff. Their most heartfelt and exceptional act of kindness (or multiple ones) were acknowledged on the award certificate. The students celebrated for their exceptional kindness included: Kiera Coy, Hannah Bryson, Zoey Allen, Owen Stay, Arwen Kerley, Christina Scribner, Everhett Cervi, Logan Meachum, Zoey Lyons, Hudson Durham, Lucan Stay and Savanna Patient. Congratulations to these students for their random acts of kindness and to their parents for teaching them to think of others!

The weekly Panther Paw winners from the PBIS- Be a Part of the Pride drawings were: Easton Carroll, Addilynn Jackson, Charlie Schmitz, Peyton Mitchell, Dane Coy, Delilah Denton, Ryden Bauer, Nevaeh Rubio, Madison Newton, Lucan Stay, Will Norton, Dylan Brown, Kyleigh Coy, Ezra Goatley, Zoey Mendenhall, Paris Kay, Lettie Ann Ginger, Alex Tucker, Makenzie Kiser, Aiden Denton, Hudson Durham, Will Chernisky, Lillian Schmitz, Lila Edwards, Adria Anderson, Maryn Griffith, Addie Evrley, Henley Anderson, Flynn Miller, Enzleigh Baker, Brantley Daniels, Joey Ohsner, Owen Pieper, Mya Perry, Aliyah Wright, Olivia Martell, Camille Woods, Hannah Bryson, Hailey Bryson, Brayden Beck, Cruze Berner, Wyatt Snyder, Jimmy Zhu, Bentley Fields, Jayda Denton and Zoey Lyons. In recognition of their positive behaviors, each student was awarded a book. Congratulations to all of these students and thanks for being examples of good behavior in action!!

We continue to celebrate students meeting milestones in their quest to join the 100 Mile Club, but wet/snow/icy weather has only allowed them to run 1 time a day instead of twice! Half the opportunity has reduced our numbers, but not our interest. Our first student to achieve the **50 mile mark** was Maddison McKenna! Way to go Maddison, we are proud of your perseverance and effort to reach this huge milestone! Also congratulations to everyone who is working toward their next goal and to these students who are meeting these amazing milestones!

Please check our live feed on panaschools.com to see pictures of all the fun activities happening at Washington School.

Upcoming events include:

- Our next Character Education and Kindness Counts assembly will be Friday March 25th. We will be celebrating Kindness and COURAGE.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences 12:45-3:30 March 16th
- The Miles of Smiles dentist will be visiting us on March 22nd.

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