

"Be a Part of the Pride!!"

<u>Staff Birthday Corner</u> Diane Williams- November 4 Regina Schafer- November 4 Becky Dagen- November 10

Tammy Deere- November 13 Kim Hahnenkamp- November 14 Elaine Litton- November 29

## Current Enrollment: PREP/EC=61; Kindergarten= 62; Grade 1=59; Grade 2=77 Attendance: Kindergarten 93.49%, Grade 1 94.76%, Grade 2 94.57%

Mrs. LaMarche 1<sup>st</sup> Grade class was the monthly Dilly Bar Attendance winner with a 96.78% attendance for the month!!! Way to go Mrs. LaMarche class—YOU ROCK!

The weekly Panther Paw winners from the PBIS- Be a Part of the Pride drawings were Bella Burtle, Ryden Bauer, Lettie-Ann Ginger, June Dilley, Jayda Kraus-Denton, Camden Malone, Easton Coleman, Iris Budds, Jayda Huddlestun, Paul Hubbartt, Isabella Bauer, Sophia Lees, Tate Hardwick, Hailey Scroggins, Harper Leach, Flynn Miller, Benton Cothern, Joshua Allen-Vernon, Emma Burget, Sawyer Reed, Wyatt Bauman, Natalie Ellis, Brylee Goff, Sam Hudelson, Olivia Lehn, Jimmy Zhu, Elias Smith, Ryder Miller, Landon Rochkes, Bailey Mathis, Sumer Pope, Lila Edwards, Mykel Allen, Reva Rochkes, Chesni McCurry-Schmitz, and Waylen Beck. 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!!

The Kindness Kounts winners for the month of October will be announced during a virtual assembly on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. During our PBIS assembly we will discuss positive Character Traits and talk about what it means to be Kind and also to be Responsible. Responsibility means: Thinking before you act or talk and what will happen because of it, do only good things, Fix your mistakes- clean up your own messes, Do your jobs and do your best, finish your work before you play, and KEEP TRYING- never give up! The November character trait will be RESPECT. Respect means treating people like you would want to be treated. Thinking and acting in a positive way about yourself and others. Showing respect means to value other people's opinions and accept people like they are, even when they are different than you.

Parent Teacher Conferences were held virtually the week of October 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>. Teachers were very pleased with the meetings! 9 students will be returning to Kindergarten on October 19<sup>th</sup>, 10 students will return to Grade 1, and 19 students will return to Grade 2. Many parents of the returning students will have an additional conference after their children have returned to in-person for a short time. This will give them opportunity to discuss how they are settling in as well as any challenges that may come up.

October is Fire Prevention Month. The students practiced moving quickly and quietly out of the building in anticipation of impressing the fire men on their visit. The day came on October 8<sup>th</sup>. The firemen surprised the children with a fire drill, and although they have practiced many times with their teachers, this was the first time Kindergarten children have ever heard the alarm.... It was LOUD!!! After the all clear was given, the firemen set up 3 stations- aerial truck, regular truck and fire safety talk. They talked to all of the students about fire safety and making good choices when near matches or fire. The firemen also showed them the gear that firemen wear when they are on duty so that the students would not be afraid if they were ever in such a dangerous situation. At the 'regular truck station' Captain Anderson showed them the equipment and answered questions specific to the truck. The kids LOVED watching how high the aerial truck went...... WOW- I bet you could see a long way from up there!!! Thanks go out to these men who gave their time to talk to our students about safety and make this a special event for them.



PTO decided to use incentives again this year to encourage students to participate in the fundraiser... This year they earned the opportunity to "silly string the principal", and IF they beat last year's goal, Mrs. Millburg and I would have to dress up in a SHARK COSTUME!..... well...... they BEAT last year's sales by \$1,032!!! So,it looks like we'll be wearing that shark costume :0) Our top two seller was Cruze Berner and he was awarded with the giant narwhal. It was his lucky day, because he also WON the drawing for the Nintendo Switch soon as well!! Congratulations to Cruze, and thank you to his family for working so hard to fundraise for our school.

Bus Safety Week is celebrated during the 3<sup>rd</sup> full week in October each year. The students at Washington School have practiced safety precautions during their PBIS training and will be able to show what they know during the evacuation procedures drill for Mr. Stauder. We think we are prepared in case of emergency!!

Lifelong healthy habits are developing here at Washington School as the students continue to put in their laps in pursuit of the "100 mile club". We have many students who are over the 15 mile mark, with several student who has surpassed the 25 mile mark since the beginning of the event! The students passing the 25 mile mark are: Chloe Heldebrandt, Kameron Durham, Raylan Ginger, Reva Rochkes, A.J. Sinclair, Gavin Stark, Lukis Beck, Vincent Lebon, Brylee Goff, Brycen West, Wyatt Bauman, Jace Bland, Jaxon Dilley, Myer Ellis and Nevin Willls. Mrs. Morrell's class is a VERY competitive group with 9 of these students being from that group!!

Upcoming events:

Red Ribbon Week will be celebrated the week of October 26<sup>th</sup>. A virtual Halloween Parade will be hosted on October 30<sup>th</sup>. American Education Week is November 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>.

Reminder: Please see our web site for photos of more fun things going on at Washington!

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