



## “Be a Part of the Pride!!”

### “Birthday Corner”

April 17- Michelle Anderson  
April 22- Patty Jones  
April 27- Cindy Denning  
May 10- Jackie Lewis  
May 27- Nancy Jones  
May 27- Patti Tynan  
May 31- Meg Daugherty

PREP/EC- 57 students    Kindergarten- 78 students    Grade 1- 95 students    Grade 2- 87 students

The weekly Panther Paw winners from the PBIS- Be a Part of the Pride drawings Naphtali Allsop, Annabell Moore, Lilli Frost, Cody Heinrich, Tru Kaiser, Tessa Clements, Evan Carnahan, Jaiden Durbin, Laynee Smith, Aaden Scheibly-Miller, Jaden Thompson, Addasyn Casner, Adrienne Perry, Zya Cushing, Payson Ashcraft, Axle Ginger, Kyndall Nicol, Bently Pruett, Benjamin Lash, Tyson Cox, Adelyn Anderson, Olivia Strohl, Lillian Jostes, McKylee Rhoades, Mia Reynolds, Cameron King, Haylee Carrell, Jordyn Gates, Zander Hawker, Austin Pease, Sammy Stewart, Kadence Rochkes, Amelia Aragon, Dallas Hubbartt, Kezdyn Russell, Tyson Mizeur, Brie Lenz, Shelby Brown and Taytum Sloan. 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 March Dilly Bar classroom attendance award went to Ms. Hahnenkamp with a 96.21% attendance rate. PREP/EC had a rate of 89.05% for the month, Kindergarten had an overall attendance rate of 93.32%, Grade 1 had an attendance rate of 93.85%, but Grade 2 squeaked in with the best attendance rate of 95.43%! The overall building rate averaged out to 92.9%. Congratulations to all these students who are in attendance and ready to learn each day.

Kindness Kounts winners for the month of March included: Addison Handy, Leigha Rogers, Andrew Blodgett, Cody Heinrich, Mallorie Kaiser, Kendall Cothorn, Jacob Pickler, Luke Fitzpatrick, Grayson Christer, Laney Weber, Kaitlyn Spa, Ben Beyers, Bella Bennett, Brylan Speer, Zayden Powysynski and Ryker Peters. Way to go students!!! We are very proud of the things you do each and every day to make your teachers and classmates appreciate your kindness.

The Monthly Character trait for March was Self-Control. Self-Control means managing behavior and emotions even in difficult situations. The students celebrated for their Self-Control were: Addisyn Christer, Gemma Armstrong, Daetona Davis, Maks Bailey, Tru Kaiser, Addilyn Coleman, Zahlen Pope, Aubri Jones, Skylar Hicks, Evan Ohl, Ace Spinner, Jaiden Durbin and Addison Casner. Congratulations to these students and also to the parents who have taught their children to be in control of their emotions and their behaviors in all situations.

Following the Kindness Kounts and Character Ed celebration assembly, students at Washington School celebrated their good behavior with an ‘intercom based’ game of musical chairs! Students and teachers alike enjoyed the opportunity to dance and sing to the Kid Bop cd while practicing manners, self-control, and cooperation. Classroom winners were: Kaylin Compton, Jeremiah Williams, Nash Koches, Adeline Wade, Marley Jerrell, Ethan Jostes, Willow Schneider, Amelia Aragon, HailieJo O’Rourke, Jayda Oary, Derrek Ambrose, Alyssa Linn, and Haven Blodgett. Thanks PBIS team for coming up with such fun events for us!

With the support of the Pana Education Foundation, Washington School hosted Babaloo on March 16<sup>th</sup>. This evening of family fun was enjoyed by 119 students and families. Thank you Pana Education Foundation for supporting our outreach to families in our community!

On April 5-7, Debbie LeVault from Christian County Solid Waste Management visited Washington School to talk about the importance of recycling. All first grade students participated in a sorting relay race to better understand recyclable items. Kindergarten students practiced how to identify recyclable materials and keeping the earth clean. Grade 2 students concentrated on how to reduce the amount of trash put into the landfills each year. Everyone came away with a better understanding of our responsibility to the future of our planet.

Mrs. Jones class has been working on animal reports that were researched using a webpage created for them by Mrs. Miller. They are now in the publishing stages of turning the reports into a book to be published by a book company. Parents are able to purchase these books from the company, and a copy will be placed in the classroom library. Great work Mrs. Jones' class!

Mrs. McDonald's PREP class has been busy this month!

- We talked about Rabbits for the last part of March and even had a Rabbit-themed Buddy Day for the parents to come in the classroom and do some crafts with the students. They made sock bunnies, decorated Easter baskets, and painted pictures.
- Saturday, April 1st was our Family Night (morning) at North School in Taylorville. Everyone got milk and donuts. They even got to pick out a kite to fly. Everyone got to take home free books and a kite to keep.
- Since coming back from Spring Break we have learned all about pets. We even have a new class pet (hamster) named Carl. The students are learning all about responsibility and why it is important to take care of others.
- We will soon be talking all about Insects, Zoo animals, and The Jungle. The Jungle will match our graduation theme. We are practicing already to get ready for that!

Kindergarten Pre-Registration was held on April 20<sup>th</sup> and April 21<sup>st</sup> in the Library of Washington School. Parents came prepared to turn in preliminary paperwork for next school year, and make their appointment for the screening on May 10-12. Parents and students alike were able to witness the wide spread use of technology in the classrooms, in addition to the amazing amounts of learning going on!

### Looking Ahead:

The Washington School spring Art/Music celebration will be held at Pana High School on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Students will treat their parents and families to an exciting Cowboy themed program that will be followed by Cowboy themed games, activities and events celebrated in a carnival like atmosphere. The Pana High School Art Club will be on hand for face painting, and the Pana PTO will be hosting a book fair following the singing portion of the evening. We are looking forward to a fun and exciting evening of talent and celebration!! Big thanks go to Mrs. Tynan, Mrs. Schaefer, and the Washington School Staff for all of their hard work and leadership to get this amazing event planned!

This year the FFA of Pana High School will put on a spectacular Barnyard Zoo on Thursday April 27<sup>th</sup>. A nice variety of farm animals and equipment will be available for the students to enjoy. The students will have a hands-on experience not only with the animals and equipment but also with the FFA students. Washington

school and our future FFA students appreciate all the hard work put into this annual event. Thanks in advance to the FFA for this wonderful experience!

Mrs. Morrell's 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade class has been studying the Rainforest and how it effects and benefits the rest of our planet. They will be presenting a program to their parents and invited guests on April 28<sup>th</sup>. There are 3 show times (9:30, 10:30, and 1:30). Please plan to join them during one of these performances for a wonderful celebration culminating their learning unit.

Students from Ms. Hahnenkamp's and Mrs. Morrell's class will be presenting information at the Technology Showcase this year. They will be sharing projects they have done this school year using chrome books and i-Pads along with the green screen in their classroom. See the Washington School web site for a peek at what these talented students have accomplished—you will be AMAZED at what they know and are able to do!!

Washington School students will continue to collect caps for benches, aluminum tabs for Ronald McDonald House, and Box Tops for Education this month. The Pana Parks Revitalization Committee will soon be taking the plastic caps to Evansville Indiana be recycled into picnic tables for the Pool area at Kitchell Park.

On May 1, our students will begin collecting Pennies for Park Benches. Please support our efforts, as we watch a combination of pennies (or other coins) and plastic materialize into picnic tables and benches for our community.....

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learning and success.”**