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W.J. Zahnow Elementary Board Report January 2025

Before our school went on Christmas Break, Kindergarteners had their annual Christmas Plays at the High School. This year, there was a new face leading the concert. Ms. Evans did a wonderful job with both concerts and added her own little touch of personality. The students did a fantastic job learning all of the songs, the actions for the songs, and sang loudly for all to hear.

Reindeer Games are a special afternoon of fun for our students. Mr. Nehre and Coach Haare plan games and relay races for the students before leaving for break. Students demonstrate teamwork and good character-building during the games as well.

Reading Benchmarking took place on January 14th, with Math Benchmarking taking place on the 15th and 16th. Students are assessed three times a year to see their progress in both Reading and Math. This data also determines educational groups and helps drive our WIN instruction.

Coach Haare started the Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser with a school assembly. Students heard from the Kids Heart Staff about healthy hearts, fundraising goals, and the process by which students' donations help patients in need.

Congratulations to the students who were chosen for our monthly Pawsome Award. In December, students were selected for displaying a "Caring" attitude. For January, we are looking for students who show "Integrity."

Congratulations to Just Voracek, who was selected as January's Staff Member of the Month. Mr. Voracek ensures that our building is running smoothly, whether he's fixing something that is broken, putting together new items, or making sure the back lot is clear of snow for the students. Mr. Voracek likes to check in daily to see what needs to be done and ensure the students and staff have everything we need from him. Congratulations Mr. Voracek, and thank you for all you do to keep our school moving in the right direction!

Looking Ahead

February 1st - W. J. Zahnow Open House for Community Members

February 4th - 100th Day of School

February 5th - 101st Day of School - 1st Grade Celebrations

February 10th - Blood Drive at Zahnow

February 14th - 11:30 Dismissal

February 17th - No School - Presidents' Day