

"Be a Part of the Pride!!"

Staff Birthday Corner

Candy Byars- December 17 Amy Wicker- December 21

Current Enrollment: PREP/EC=60; Kindergarten= 74; Grade 1=84; Grade 2=79 October Attendance: Kindergarten 92.33%, 1st Grade= 93.70%; Grade 2=95.09%

Good Things

- Thank you to our Board of Education for their service. We are very lucky to have such dedicated and available leaders!
- Attendance above 92% at all grade levels this month
- Celebrations at Washington
- Kindness Kounts and Character Education Winners
- Halloween
- Veterans Day
- The Little Theater On The Square
- The survey says.....

In looking at our attendance numbers, Mrs. Jones class was the monthly Dilly Bar Attendance winner with a 97.71% attendance for the month!!! Way to go Mrs. Jones class!!—YOU GUYS ROCK!

The weekly panther paw winners from PBIS- Be a Part of the Pride drawings were Amelia Cunningham, Nate Ewing, Harleigh Forrest, Hope Bryson, Aurorua Taylor, Bryer Cothern, Gage Christine, Ruby Lyons, Landon Stork, Addie Evrley, Mallory Bennett, Mahala King, Kaylin West, Carter Bodendieck, Isaac Mathias, Letti Kile, Isaiah Miles, Aria Cox, Kenzie Pirtle, Emily Meachum, Emmie Guiot, Hunter Clegg, Marlee Bland, Arwen Kerley, Ellie Cook, Enslee Hawker, Quinn Ragon, Aaniyah Patnode, Oliver Miller, Bryan Ellenberg, Bentlee King, Leah Palma, Jordan Newton, Henley Anderson, Ella Christian, Jaxon Tucker, Briar Smith, Delilah Passini, Tripp Ermovick, Beaux Snyder, Brielle Weddle, Mason Matthews, Olivia Depcik, Henley Rowley, Brayden Moore, Keira Coy, Lane Cvengros, Karsyn Sisk, Vidalia Allen, Lillian Strohl, Blu Duduit, Kye Ewing, Ada Cunningham, Rilee Sphar, Brady Mathias, Aubreigh Stivers, June Walker, Zoey Kile, Sawyer Cravens, Abbigayle Hartline, Iven Kay, Elijah Alumbaugh, Lorelia Fortner, Vinnie Allen, Anthony Hurlburt, Aiden Sirbaugh, Nova Lebon, Jaycen Taylor, Mason Presnell, Rayne Langley, Caidence Enzor and Myah Spracklen. Each of these students was awarded a book for being a great example of what it looks like to be respectful, safe, and ready to learn! They will also have the privilege of being "VIP" seating after the celebration parade. Mrs. Schafer (our very own head cook) donated pumpkins to all of the Kindergarten students the last week before Halloween! In addition to the Kindergarten donation she donated enough for two students from each Grade 1 & Grade 2 class to also receive one! A good behavior drawing was held and the winners of the "lucky pumpkins" behavior awards were: Caidence Enzor and Maverick Gordon, Rayne Langley and Novalee Hawker, Mason Presnell and Camille Woods, Xavier Miller and Owen Stay, Elena Nees and Aiden Tolliver, Anthony Hurlburt and Mason Snyder, Arjan Tipsword and Joliene Durbin, Brady Mathias and Olivia Depcik. Good behavior sure does have its rewards!!!

On October 27th we congratulated the Kindness Kounts winners for the month of October. Those winners were: Ryker Clardy, Nate Ewing, Rhett Stone, Tripp Ermovick, Rutledge Beyers, Haverty Henschen, Keaten Kroenlein, Bryer Cothern, Gracelyn Bonn, Landon Stork, Max Nihiser, Zayden Lons, Casten Whitney, Asher Klein, Kinsley Mizeur and Payton Thompson. These students were celebrated and awarded certificates for showing kindness to their peers and staff members! Their pictures are posted in the hallway at Washington School so we can continue to celebrate them throughout the month of November. Along with the Kindness Kounts winners we celebrated and awarded the October character trait winners for Self- Direct or Self-control. All month the students worked hard to demonstrate what it means to show self-control. Self-Control means leading yourself to who you want to be and thinking before you act and speak. It means controlling your temper, respecting others and their belongings, and includes sitting still and being quiet so that others can focus on learning! The following students were awarded for displaying those traits: Amelia Cunningham, Grace Newton, Noelle Bush, Alice Strehl, Anakin Haines, Samanta Bauman, Emily Meachum, Ellie Newton, Paisley Mehlberg, Gracie Neal, Henley Anderson and Abbigayle Hartline. Congratulations to these students for showing self-control and helping make it easier for everyone around them to learn!

In November the students will be learning about Teamwork. Teamwork/Working Together means: working together as a team to reach a common goal. A good team member shows consideration, is helpful, does their part of the project, and is respectful towards others and their property. They share ideas and opinions and listen while others are speaking. Good team members give opinions, encourage others and disagree peacefully. A team member is someone who is a good citizen and is part of a community..... The community of a school, home or a sports team. All month we will be on the look-out for students who are demonstrating how to be good team members and we will celebrate them on Friday December 1st. In December we will be looking for and celebrating RESPONSIBILITY.

We celebrated Bosses Day with the Magic of Disney themed week! Mrs. Wysong was celebrated on Monday with a Cinderella carriage ride! Students celebrated Wednesday with a "Be Our Guest" Luncheon and an appearance by THE BEAST! Friday concluded the week with a PBIS assembly and a big YEE HAW from Jessie (from Toy Story). Mrs. Wysong wore her crown all week as the royalty of Washington School. On Friday, Jessie kissed the pig for the PTO fundraiser celebration and the students sang her a special song they had learned....... It was a GREAT week of celebration and fun!!







The finger prints for all of the K-2 students in Washington School......



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On October 27th, we celebrated the PTO fundraiser challenge... PTO challenged the kids to raise more funds than they did last year, and if they did- Mrs. Wysong promised to kiss a PIG!! The kids raised \$3500 more than last year so it happened!! The PIG WAS KISSED!!!. The top seller was Aaliyah Shockley in Mrs. Smith's class. Aaliyah was originally slated to help during this event, but woke up with fever and missed the day.... BUT, she will be the Principal for a Day coming up soon......



Growing old is mandatory; growing up is optional.

All during the day of October 31st, the children and teachers celebrated Halloween. Originally, the parade was scheduled to be outside with parents/families being invited to come and watch.... Sadly, the weather did not cooperate and it started to rain and was super cold for bare arms and legs! We had to switch gears quickly and invited everyone into the gym and the downstairs hallway! It was super crowded down there, but there were lots of smiles as they enjoyed the spooky music and the fun costumes! There were many appreciative comments about this event, and parents were thrilled to be inside out of the rain :0). This is one of our largest parent participation events of the year. We are thankful for such a great turn out!





Washington School celebrated Veterans the week of November 9th and talked about how thankful we are that they watched over our country so long ago. We are thankful also to those who continue to serve and keep us safe. Classrooms created cards that were distributed to Veterans, teachers talked about the colors of the flag, and what the folds mean when a flag is properly folded. Families sent in pictures of Veterans for students to share with their class......



As a supplemental part of the Fine Arts curriculum, our students visited The Little Theater on the Square on November 6th and 9th. Students were treated to an amazing performance of Elf Jr.- The Musical. Students demonstrated what they have been doing in Music class to get ready for their own Christmas/Winter

concert. They practiced their listening skills, focus and attention and 'being part of an audience'. They were able to move in and out of the theater quickly and quietly and sit in their seats during the entire performance. They also did a reflection piece during the week after they returned. It was an amazing opportunity for our students to see REAL THEATER and to be inspired by the creativity and imagination of the cast and crew......and PS- IT SNOWED!

In response to Parent Teacher Conferences:

- 100% of parents indicated that the conference made are more aware of how their child is doing academically compared to the grade level standards.
- The time allotted was sufficient to ask all the questions they needed to ask.
- 100% of respondents indicated that they feel that their child's teacher contacts them enough to keep them informed and that they feel supported by that teacher.
- 100% of parents responding reported that they use class DoJo and are pleased with how easy it is to use and find it a quick and convenient way to contact the teacher and the Principal.
- 100% of parents indicted that when contacting the Principal their needs have been met, with a small percent stating that they have not needed to make contact but feel sure that if they did it would result in a positive interaction.

Reminders:

- 1. Thanksgiving Break will be November 22-27. Be thankful, make time and take the time to spend with those you love and cherish.
- 2. It is only 5 weeks until Christmas!!!

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