

## "Be a Part of the Pride!!"

## "Birthday Corner"

April 17- Michelle Anderson April 22- Patty Jones April 27- Cindy Denning May 1- Brandi Malisia May 3- Sadie Kircher May 10- Jackie Lewis May 25- Jody Hocq May 27- Patti Tynan May 31- Meg Daugherty

PREP/EC- 35 students Kindergarten- 95 students Grade 1- 85 students Grade 2- 93 students

The weekly Panther Paw winners from the PBIS- Be a Part of the Pride drawings were Parker Lehn, Liam Beck, Addasyn Casner, Autumn riley, Sofia Ademi, Brayden Chrispen, Aidin Niehart, Karleigh Schmitz, Kaitlyn Spa, Cooper Fleet, Andrew Clardy, Aaron Pieper, Drake McNeely, Javien Carter, Lowell Witt, Olivia Patton, Mackenley Christer, Jordan Gordon, Jeffrey Davis, Aydan Barnes, Laney Weber, Mia Reynolds, Evan Carnahan, Mykol Roach, Hayvn Evans, Brayden Nochta, Dane Epley, Joey Laker, Olivia Strohl, Anthony Rochkes, Addilyn Coleman, Reegan Spracklen, McKenzie Kerr, Amanda Clardy, Collin Speer, Ben Beyers, Truman Strawn, Haven Blodgett, Arianna Hocq, Maddy Donard, Bianca Rochkes, and Haley Butkauskas . 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 Mrs. Morrell with a 97.83% attendance rate. PREP/EC had a rate of 84.00% for the month, Kindergarten had an overall attendance rate of 93.79%, Grade 1 had an attendance rate of 95.14%, but Grade 2 squeaked in with the best attendance rate of 95.43%! The overall building rate averaged out to 92.9% (which is a .68% increase from last year!). Congratulations to all these students who are in attendance and ready to learn each day.

Kindness Kounts winners for the month of March included: Parker Lehn, HailieJo O'Rourke, Matthew Schneider, Benjamin Lash, Jax McKenna, Hope Haines, Evan Ohl, Cartyr Seaton, Aaron Moss, McKinze Harris, Kahlen Frost, Rhylie Allen, Drake McNeely, Morgan Frost, Malakai Kay, and Hadlee Garman. 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: Grayson Christer, Olivia Patton, Brooklyn Beck, Micah Meadows, Nancy Presnell, Carly Bland, Aidin Niehart, Shawna Kiser, Avery Cushing, Mason Sewell, Kathleen Miller, Hayvn Evans, Rylee Vits and Ross Jones. 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.

On April 7-8, 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.

## Looking Ahead:

The Washington School spring Art/Music celebration will be held at Pana High School on April 21<sup>st</sup>. Students will treat their parents and families to an exciting SUPER HEROS themed program that will be followed by Super Hero themed games, activities and events celebrated in a carnival like atmosphere. 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!

Kindergarten Pre-Registration will be held on <u>April 21<sup>st</sup> and April 22<sup>nd</sup></u> in the Library of Washington School. Parents will turn in preliminary paperwork for next school year, and make their appointment for the screening on May 11-13. Parents and students alike will be able to witness the wide spread use of technology in the classrooms, in addition to the amazing amounts of learning going on! Please give a reminder to all the parents of pre school children that you know, to make the time to pre-register their children for Kindergarten!

This year the FFA of Pana High School will put on a spectacular Barnyard Zoo on Thursday April 28<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 <u>April 29<sup>th</sup></u>. There are 3 show times (9:30, 11, and 1:30). Please plan to join them for a wonderful celebration culminating their learning unit.

Several students from Ms. Hahnenkamp'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 lids for benches, aluminum tabs for Ronald McDonald House, and Box Tops for Education this month. Mrs. Wysong will soon be taking the plastic caps to Evansville Indiana be recycled into benches. Students have partnered with the Parks Revitalization Committee this year to assist in providing benches for our very own city park around the pool area.

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

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