

Pana Junior High Juletta Ellis, Principal Report to Board of Education December 2016



Protect This House

Enrollment: 6th Grade: 117 7th Grade: 89 8th Grade: 95 Total: 301

<u>Attendance:</u> 6th Grade: 95.61% 7th Grade:95.48% <u>8th Grade 95.41%</u> Total: 95.51%

The Pana Archery Club, under the coaching of Mr. Miller, won the S3DA Regionals. Congrats to them!

The 2nd Quarter PBIS Celebration was held on December 21st. Students did various teacher-led activities in the morning, participated in a kitchen table-style lunch, and then were treated a movie at the Roseland Theater. The day ended with a big drawing for surprise presents. Students had been earning bricks and placing them in the drawing boxes throughout the month of December. We had a total of over 1500 bricks in the drawing.

Students and staff set the tone for a strong 3rd quarter during class meetings on January 3rd. Students and staff reviewed the behavior matrix and received an overview of goal setting activities to be done in Resource classes. The theme is "Doing Better" and students are working on establishing and following through with SMART goals. Their progress will be noted in a portfolio for their parents at Parent-Teacher Conferences in March. Mrs. Dameris's Integrating Technology PBL class created this <u>video</u> to encourage students to do better. We celebrated 1st semester successes at the end of the meeting by recognizing perfect attendance/no tardies (34 students) and straight As/As and Bs (186 students).

Report cards were sent home on 1/6.

8th grade night for Boys' Basketball, Cheerleading, and Pep Band was held on 1/12 to recognize students on the last home game of the season.

Several of Ms. Henkel's art students placed at the Young Artist Showcase in Decatur. Winners include: 6th grade: Breanna Houseman, 2nd place; Legacy Ballew, 2nd place; Baylee Jewsbury, 3rd place; Siara Hammond, 3rd place

7th and 8th graders: Averi Cunningham, 1st place (twice); Jory Hays, 2nd place; Jaxon Rhoades, 2nd place; Allison Murray; Lexus Reedy, 3rd place

Mrs. Ade's and Mrs. Schutt's Gardening PBL classes wrote an Illinois Schoolyard Habitat Action Grant for the Illinois Department of Resources (see <u>attachment</u>). Last week they were notified that they will receive nearly \$500 in grant money that they plan to use to create a butterfly habitat. Congrats to Mrs. Ade, Mrs. Schutt, and the students on their initiative. We are excited to see the plan carried out.