



“Be a Part of the Pride!!”

“Birthday Corner”

June 1- Cindy Ashcraft
June 2- Amy Holman
June 5- Laura Schmitz
June 12- Whitney Reynolds
June 18- Jodi Marty
June 19- Julie Dressen
June 30- Heather Smith
July 29- Barby Renoe
August 23- Lila Stumpf
August 29- Dorothy Murrell
August 31- Lori Harlow

318 Students = PREP/EC- 69 Kindergarten- 74 Grade 1- 89 Grade 2- 86

The weekly Panther Paw winners from the PBIS- Be a Part of the Pride drawings were Bentley Laramore, Shelden Conway, Avery Pope, Alyvia Casner, Cooper Cothorn, Alawna Haines, Calli Ballew, Graysen Meadows, Thomas Vilardo, Gabe Lindsay, Jaxon Steed, Jayce Prather, Jacob Scoles, Karen Ivon, Lucas Matthews, Tyber Evrley, Ryker King, Ryan Matthews, Aubrey Strohl, Naphtali Allsop, Malcolm Wright, Morgan Litz, Chance Lucas, Kallie Morgason, Rylee Crow, Keegan Pope, Anthoni Hayes, Ady Standerfer and Kayden Waugh. In recognition of their positive behaviors, each student was awarded a book and will be seated in the “Front Row Club” during the monthly PBIS celebration. Congratulations to all of these students and thanks for being examples of good behavior in action!!

The April Dilly Bar classroom attendance award went to Mrs. Hrabak with a 96.58% attendance rate. The PREP/EC had a rate of 88.28% for the month, Kindergarten had an overall attendance rate of 93.05%, and Grade 1 was just a bit higher with an attendance rate of 94.45%. Grade 2 had the best attendance rate overall with a 94.54%. The overall building rate averaged out to 92.58%. Congratulations to all the students who are in attendance and ready to learn each day.

We celebrated Secretaries Day on April 30





Kindness Counts winners for the month of April included Gavin Stark, Evelyn Cervi, Paige Heintz, Nevin Wills, Lucas Matthews, Allison Perry, Gracie Simpson, Westyn Swiney, Gemma Armstrong, Thomas Vilardo, Jade Heslop, Addison Handy, Christina Scribner, Christian Smart, Keagan Weddle and Ailyah Wright. 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 May winners will be announced at the PBIS Celebration on May 23rd.



The Character Trait for the month of April was Cooperation. Cooperation means working together with teachers and friends to make our school a better place. Students celebrated this month for their contributions to cooperation are: Kaylynn Bland, Mason Hoehn, Jocelyn Dudra, Lukis Beck, Zaybree Fry, Norah Matthews, JoLeigh Hebenstreit, Jazlyn Pickler, Claire Heldebrandt, Keatyn Brooks, Zander Hawker and Samantha Stewart. Congratulations to these students but also to their parents for teaching them this valuable life skill! In the month of May, we will be celebrating PATIENCE.

The 2019 graduating classes of Head Start and PREP toured Washington School in preparation for entering Kindergarten in the fall. Parents stopped by and pre-registered their students for next year. This process included turning in preliminary paperwork and making an appointment for their child to participate in the academic readiness screenings that were held May 13-15.

Washington School completed our final MAP testing for the year between May 1-10th



The Kindergarten Prom was hosted by the Kindergarten teachers on May 3rd. Students dressed up in their favorite clothes, practiced manners, dance moves, and good behavior during this event. Snack was served at the culmination of the dance. A wonderful time was had by everyone :0)



Mrs. Morrell's 2nd Grade class has been studying the Rainforest and how it affects and benefits the rest of our planet. They presented a program to their parents and invited guests on May 3rd. They provided 3 different opportunities to view their performance, and many students joined the parents to view these exciting performances. It was a wonderful celebration culminating their learning unit. Thank you to Mrs. Morrell for creating such global awareness in our students.



A special thanks goes out to Brian Wood and the FFA members for their yearly presentation of the Barnyard Zoo on May 9th. The rainy day didn't dampen the enthusiasm of the kids, they LOVE getting up close and personal with the animals and seeing the equipment. Washington School and our future FFA students appreciate all the hard work put into this annual event. Thanks again for providing this experience for our children.



Grade 1 students culminated their study 'days gone by' with a Pioneer Days activity. Mr. Cross came to visit from the Pana Museum. He shared many photos and lots of information about our community. The children dressed up and participated in activities which included: churning butter, washing clothing, building a covered wagon and a good ol' fashioned foot race! A wonderful time was had by all participants!





Teacher Appreciation week was May 5-10. The PTO of Washington (and Lincoln) School(s) provided a delicious meal to ALL STAFF in recognition and thanks for all the hard work done every day to benefit children. During this week, Mr. Bauer and the Board of Education sent us delicious donuts for breakfast (or mid-morning snack?). Thank you to everyone who acknowledged our dedication and commitment to learning.

On May 10th, the 2019 Graduating Class of Pana High School came to visit our school for a “Parade of Graduates”. Students cheered and celebrated the hard work and dedication that it takes to become a High School graduate. Teachers and students alike were thrilled to see these “oldies” celebrated by the “little ones” and more than one pride filled tear was shed by staff members..... It was wonderful to be able to celebrate these young people and their accomplishment!!



Grade 1 visited the Children’s Museum in Decatur.



We have taken advantage of the few days of sunshine this month!



Grade 2 students made a trip to Lincoln School and went 'on tour' with Mrs. Millburg. They had an opportunity to meet the teachers (including Ms. Rodman!) and look around.



Ms. Hahnenkamp's class planted seeds to begin their Grow Your Garden project. They will document the progress in their own slide presentation. Thanks to Dr. Beyers for letting us use his grow lights. Students are so excited to watch the seeds grow!



Ms. Hahnenkamp and Mrs. Skinner brought a group to the Tech Showcase! They enjoyed sharing their projects and their excitement with our community leaders.

The annual Kindergarten Screening was held May 13-15 at the Pana United Methodist Church. Parents turned in preliminary paperwork for next school year, and learn about the rules and expectations for Kindergarten while the students spend some time “playing” with the teachers. Reports were shared with parents outlining student strengths and areas of challenge. This paperwork included suggestions of activities to share with their child to strengthen all areas of the brain. Students also received a preliminary hearing and vision screening by the school nurse. Looks like we are going to have an excellent “new crop” in the fall!!

Kindergarten students will visit the Scovill Zoo in Decatur on May 20th. Each year, the zoo makes many changes and provides new educational exhibits for the children and teachers to enjoy. Hopefully, the classes will be lucky to have a sunny warm day to celebrate friendships and make Kindergarten Memories.

Classrooms will celebrate the last few days of the year with special May Days such as sunglass day, extra recess day, pick a new seat day etc... Students are super excited to celebrate these fun days and focus on the positive character traits we have learned about this year.

The PBIS team is busy organizing our Last Day Center Rotation Party. Parents have volunteered to supply items for our picnic lunch. Games and activities will be provided for the children to participate in.

**“Working in partnership, PCUSD #8, students, parents
and community members will each do
his or her part to ensure
learning and success.”**