



“Be a Part of the Pride!!”

Staff Birthday Corner

Janice Hrabak- December 11

Carole Brown- December 12

Candy Byars- December 17

Amy Wicker- December 21

Current Enrollment: PREP/EC=65; Kindergarten= 76; Grade 1=92; Grade 2=84

October Attendance: PREP/EC= 89.92%; Kindergarten 93.15%, 1st Grade= 95.39%; Grade 2=95.47%

In looking at our attendance numbers, Mrs. Jones class was the monthly Dilly Bar Attendance winner with a 96.04% attendance for the month!!! Way to go Mrs. Jones class—YOU ROCK!

The weekly panther paw winners from PBIS- Be a Part of the Pride drawings were Jacob Scoles, Addie Guiot, Abigail Moore, Alyvia Casner, Julia Mizeur, Hudson Sims, Maddax Powyszynski, Channing Allen, Madison Heintz, Kaylin Compton, Marley Jerrell, Daetona Davis, Emalynn Enzor, Dallas Haines, Lukis Beck, Drake Woods, Leah Compton, Tymber Evrley, Kinley Moore, Jase Cravens, Bentley Bland, Leigha Rogers, Brynlee Tipword, Andrew Blodgett, Reva Rochkes, Sheldon Conway, Allie Smith, Lana Moreland, Chance Lucas, Keyanna Ward, Maryssa Chapman-Morris, Keegan Pope, Mason Wright, Maks Bailey, Mallory Litz, Addison Handy, Desmond Denton, Havyn Jerrell, Tyson Beaty, Jayda Huddlestun, Zaybree Fry, Waylen Beck, Brycen West, Adalee Reed, Sam Kealen, Naphtali Allsop, Jeff Scoles, Austin Pease, Brylee Goff, Bentley Matthews-Patton, Willow Oreskovich, Paige Heintz, Cooper Cothorn, Olivia Tarrant, Norah Matthews, Gracie Simpson, Sandra Stewart, Tru Kaiser, Marley Jerrell, and Berenice Dilley. Each of these students was awarded a book (or a pumpkin) for being great examples of being respectful, safe, and ready to learn. They will also have the privilege of being “VIP” front row guests to our October character education assembly.

Additional pumpkins were awarded to Rowen Moon, Raustin Dull, Maddax Powyszynski, Toby Brantley, Elijah Kaiser, Bella Thompson, Royal Jackson and Malcolm Wright! These were the lucky EXTRA winners for their good behavior this month!

On November 2nd we held an assembly to congratulate the Kindness Counts winners for the month of October. Mason Nihiser, Addie Guiot, Sophia Lees, Mason Smith, Kallee Cox, Calli Ballew, Aubree Bird, Hudson Sims, Payson Ashcraft, Parker Durham, Briley Wilhour, Daetona Davis, Joshua Vernon, Alice Watson, Harper Leach and Silas Cushing were the students awarded for showing kindness to their peers and staff members! Along with the Kindness Counts winner we also awarded the October character trait winners. All month the students worked hard to demonstrate what it means to be responsible. Responsibility means doing what they promise to do, taking care of their own business, being trustworthy, and ‘owning’ their own actions. The following students were awarded for displaying that trait: Brylee Goff, Havyn Jerrell, Paul Hubbartt, Carrigan

Boykin, Tucker Bush, Ashton Freeman, Keegan Pope, Hadyn Dagen, Greyson Bauman, Julia Adam, Maks Bailey and Austin Pease. After the assembly all eligible students were treated to a wild and crazy game of Dojo 4 corners to reward everyone's good behavior all month long. Mrs. Wysong was the announcer over the intercom and the classroom winners from game were able to go to the office for a small prize. Winners for that game were: Gavin, Matthew, Vayda, Mason, Drake, Norah, Toby, Kaidrix, Madison, Morgan, Greyson and Naphtali.

In November the students will be learning about ways to show respect. Being respectful means; treating people like you would want to be treated as well as thinking and acting in a positive way about yourself and others. Showing respect means; you value other people's opinions and you accept people like they are, even when they are different than you. All month we will be on the look-out for students who are demonstrating how to be respectful citizens and we will celebrate them at the end of the month.

The Kindergarten students got into the Fall Spirit in October with a good ole' fashion PUMPKIN HUNT and good behavior PUMPKIN DRAWING!! Mrs. Schafer (Delores) and her husband Bob grew pumpkins and gourds on their farm over the summer to make this happen for our kids. Kindergarten students were able to culminate their study of the life cycle of the pumpkin unit with a pumpkin hunt (they were unable to attend a pumpkin patch this year as they have in the past). Grade 1 and Grade 2 student names were drawn randomly during the lunch hours to receive a "little piece of fall". HUGE thanks go out to Bob and Delores Schafer for their hard work and their generosity with the harvest!

In the morning of October 31st, all First Grade classes visited Prairie Rose, Heritage Manor, Hickory Estates, PJHS and Lincoln School. The children and teachers were dressed in their Halloween costumes and paraded through the buildings to entertain the residents and students. The Grade 1 staff all dressed as butterflies this year! Each of the nursing homes provided the children with a small candy treat. It was a 'brisk' day for a parade!

Parents were again invited to Washington Elementary on Halloween just before the annual Halloween Parade for an informal visit with the Title One teachers, where they received a file folder filled with educational games, flash cards, and activities to help their K-1-2 students with reading and math skills. In addition, there were several parent handouts recommending educational apps for your tablet or smart phone and also some websites. Immediately following this event, Washington School hosted their annual Halloween parade led by our very own 'Queen of Hearts', A.K.A. Mrs. Wysong. We had a lot of parents attend this event. The weather was 'brisk' for the parade this year, but the students and teachers braved the chill so that the anxious parents were able to get plenty of pictures of their little darlings!! We had a lot of super heroes, princesses, witches, some really scary ones, goblins, and even a few small sized butterflies. Classrooms held their Halloween parties in the afternoon prior to the parade. There are truly so many fun times at Washington School!!

PTO sponsored a Family Night on November 8 to say "thank you" to our students and families for raising nearly \$11,000 this year to support our elementary schools. Students were treated to root beer floats and the Principal for a Day winners were announced. Tucker Bush was the high seller at Washington School and will be celebrating with Mrs. Wysong as the Principal for a Day very soon! The students were also entertained by a group of motivational and exciting basketball performers who entertained the group with aerial tricks and feats. The entertainment for the evening was great! Thanks PTO and parents for making this possible!

Tucker Bush will be the Washington School Principal for a Day! Our date has yet to be determined. You will find us 'out on the curb' first thing to meet and greet students. Keep your eyes open out there to be surprised when the magical day arrives, and feel free to stop feel free to stop by and say 'hi' to our newest leader :0) We are looking forward to a fun filled and educational day!

Washington School celebrated Veterans Day on Tuesday, November 13th with an all school assembly in the gym. Mrs. Tynan talked to the students and explained the colors of the flag, and what the folds mean when it is properly folded. Students said the Pledge of Allegiance, the kids sang patriotic songs and ended the assembly with a school favorite, 'We Are Thankful For the U.S.A.' Special thanks to Mrs. Tynan for making time to share patriotism and teach about respectful behavior to our students.

Washington School will continue to celebrate American Education Week by focusing on different groups each day. We kicked it off by honoring Veterans and our entire school. On Wednesday, we will wear our slippers, to celebrate 'slippin' into a bright future! Thursday will celebrate our favorite decade in education. On Friday, we will wear Orange and Blue because we are Proud to be Pana Panthers!

Reminders:

1. We will no longer be accepting plastic caps for recycling. We are currently looking for partners to purchase benches and tables to use up the plastic we have in storage. If you know of a community group or organization who is interested, please have them contact me at Washington School to get their project started!
2. Soda tabs and box tops continue to be recycled for worthy causes. Please send your donations with a student or drop them off at Washington School during school hours.
3. Thanksgiving Break will be November 22-25. Be thankful, make time and take the time to spend with those you love and cherish.
4. The K-4 Christmas Art and Music Concerts will be on December 11th at the PHS gym.
5. It is only 6 weeks until Christmas!!!

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