

"Be a Part of the Pride!!"

Staff Birthday Corner Janice Hrabak- December 11 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= 89.76%; Kindergarten 93.54%, 1st Grade= 96.27%; Grade 2=96.66%

In looking at our attendance numbers, Ms. Hahnenkamp's class was the monthly Dilly Bar Attendance winner with a 97.33% attendance for the month!!! Way to go Ms. Hahnenkamp's class—YOU ROCK!

The weekly panther paw winners from PBIS- Be a Part of the Pride drawings were Keagan Weddle, Landon Rochkes, Raelyn Beveridge, Jaylee Allen, Samuel Rauch, Kameron Durham, Abigail Moore, Wyatt Bauman, Damon Gaton, Ayris Denton, Tollin Bartley, Keegan Pope, Kohen Smith, Claire Moore, Will Norton, Makenzie Kiser, Teig Dagen, Chesni Schmitz-McCurry, AJ Sinclair, Piper Morrison, Ryan Matthews, Will Sarver, Ashton Freeman, Bransyn Cooper, Addilyn Swafford, Cason Garrett, Sophia Martell, Emma Peck, Reva Rochkes, Sheldon Conway, Isabelle Bauer, Jase Koons, Tucker Bush, Callile Ballew, Kynzie Cole, Mya Perry, Jerzee Peck, Dahlia Karcher, Bristol Wilhour, Desmond Denton, Mykel Allen, Colt Garrett, Alyvia Casner, Logan Taylor, Violet Budds, Jack Morrell and Bryor Dunn. Each of these students was awarded a book for being great examples of being respectful, safe, and ready to learn. They will also had the privilege of being "VIP" front row guests to our November character education assembly.

On November 1st we held an assembly to congratulate the Kindness Kounts winners for the month of October. Kaleb Compton, Maddox Hubbartt, Elijah Merrifield, Sumer Pope, Brycen West, Abigail Moore, Sylis Anderson, Hudson Sims, Chase Price, Kinley Moore, Rowen Moon, Kallee Cox, Sophia Scoles, Ella Davis, Paisley Koontz and Tate Hardwick 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: Aliana Kohute, Vayda Christer, Easton Coleman, Chloe Heldebrandt, Mason Nihiser, Vincent Lebon, Wyatt Bauman, Havyn Jerrell, Blaire Ade, Olivia Tarrant, Graysen Meadows and Colten McFarland. After the assembly all eligible students were treated to a wild and crazy 'last taste of summer' time on the playground to reward everyone's good behavior all month long. Little did we know that the weather would change to winter so quickly!!

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.

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 (The butterflies) were dressed in their Halloween costumes and paraded through the buildings to entertain the residents and students. 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 'Glinda the Good Witch', A.K.A. Mrs. Wysong. We had over 220 parents attend this event!! The weather was nasty for an outdoor parade this year, so parents piled into the gym and the downstairs hallways and 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, a smoke jumper 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 will sponsor a Family Night on December 6th to say "thank you" to our students and families for raising funds this year to support our elementary schools. Students will be entertained during the evening by taking turns DUCT TAPING Mrs. Wysong to the wall!! Stay tuned for further details :0)

Washington School celebrated Veterans this week. Classrooms created cards that were distributed to Veterans in active duty and also to those at the nursing homes and the VA in Danville. Teachers talked about the colors of the flag, and what the folds mean when it is properly folded. The kids have been practicing patriotic songs and, 'We Are Thankful For the U.S.A.' A special thanks to Mrs. Tynan for planning this week, making time to share patriotism and teaching 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 the week with a 'cold day', but on Wednesday we wore our boots to kick off a great education, Thursday will celebrated by wearing sunglasses (due to our BRIGHT FUTURE) and on Friday, we will wear Orange and Blue because we are Proud to be Pana Panthers.

2nd Grade has added 8 students to the 25 mile club!! Congratulations to out to Jaxon Clements, Damon Gatons, Ryker Peters, Amare' Ward, Alawna Haines, Natalie Perez, Bryleigh Waters and Keyanna Ward on achieving the first leg of their journey to 100 miles! Ps- Ms. Hahnenkamp has also received HER t-shirt for achieving the first 25 miles of the run!

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 and 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 28-29. 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 12th at the PHS gym.
- 5. It is only 6 weeks until Christmas!!!

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

THANK YOU!!!

From Mrs. LaMarche's 1st grade kiddos for the Trenches grant materials!

