

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

## **February Panther Prowl**

"Birthday Corner"

Beth. Morrell- March 9 Sherry Wallace- March 10 Daphne Rodman- March 10 Jodi Sims- March 18 Debbie Glenn- March 22 Mary Jones- March 24 Jody Hay- March 31

Enrollment: 315 PREP/EC- 54 Kindergarten- 78 Grade 1-96 Grade 2- 87

The January Kindness Kounts winners were: Milo Martell, Jordyn Gates, Carson Collins, Maks Bailey, Claire Heldebrandt, Benjamin Lash, Newt Campbell, Brooklyn Beck, Mackenzie Banning, Kathleen Miller, Parker Richards, Cadence Jones, Madison Davis, Kallie Morgason, Ryker King, and Channing Allen! Thank you to these students for displaying random acts of kindness to others, and to these parents for raising such wonderful kids.

The Character Trait of Perseverance has been celebrated at Washington School. Perseverance is defined as "continuing in a course of action without regard to discouragement, opposition or previous failure. To continue to try even when things are difficult. The students celebrated for their perseverance included: Kaylin Compton, Annabell Moore, Mia Anderson, James Neal, Kendra Steed, Chloe Miller, Nathan Allsop, Willow Schneider, Grayson Christer, Gracie Thompson, Aurora Bryant, Mia Reynolds and McKinze Harris. Congratulations to these students for their perseverance and their parents for teaching them to never give up!

The weekly Panther Paw winners from the PBIS- Be a Part of the Pride drawings were Brandon Matthews-Patton, Xavier Burrus, Sophia Leach, Maks Bailey, Emmett Ewing, Alyssa Pieper, Aleksandra Harlan, Jayda White, Lowell Witt, Kaitlyn Spa, Madison Solomon, Jacob Duncan, Eian Vaughn, Jeffery Scoles, Adeline Wade, Mark Schneider, Jackson Bennett, Mallorie Kaiser, Jack Kile, Jaxson Morgason, Jayda White, Landon Fallacaro, Heaven Emerson, Zayne Cushing, Cayden Boykin, Sophia Painter, Keatyn Brooks, Dylan Brown, James Neal, Marley Jerrell, Marley Lawrence, Mykel Dilley, Kegan England, Adrianne Perry, Kyle Whennen, Gaibe Elliot, Kaylin Compton, Adeline Wade, Mia Anderson, Morgan Reynolds, Spencer Peters, Brayden Hicks, Matthew Schneider, Kenley Embry, Carter McMullin, Bailey Morgan, Cayden Durbin, Joseph Skinner, Sidonia Rice, Elijah Kaiser, Andrew Blodgett, Charlee Clements, Dayton Crow, Chase Bechtel, Autumn Riley, Zakk Winter, Dace Jones, Jayda Oary, Laycen Askins and Collin Speer. 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 February Dilly Bar classroom attendance award went to Mrs. Jones with a 97.58% attendance rate. The overall Kindergarten attendance was 93.65%, Grade 1 was 94.40%, Grade 2 was 94.5% and our EC/PREP was 86.27%. Congratulations to all these students who are in attendance, healthy and ready to learn each day.

On January 31<sup>st</sup> we celebrated 100 Days of School. Kindergarten classes celebrated by counting 100 fruit loops and making necklaces, celebration hats and home projects, and the counting of 100 objects and grouping them into 10's. Grade 1 created a book of objects grouped into 10's to equal 100 of multiple objects. Additionally, they sorted "snack" into 100 teeny tiny groups. Grade 2 did center rotations that included math and technology, math with dice, and a writing project that included things that they would and would NOT want to have 100 of. Music and excitement were the order of the day!

The PREP program has been busy too! They went on a family field trip to the Decatur Children's Museum. It was a fun day for all! The students studied about penguins, groundhogs, dental health and Valentine's Day/Love. The students had fun graphing with candy hearts and making discovery bottles for our Science center. The students celebrated Valentine's Day with a party and treats. Last week, they discussed, read, and played everything transportation! We graphed how we travel to school and even made a jeep for our Dramatic play center!

Love was in the air on Tuesday February 14<sup>th</sup> as students and staff celebrated Valentines' Day. Cards were exchanged and candy was eaten. Discussions about respect for others EVERY day was the highlight of the celebration.

Ms. Hahnenkamp asked me to share that she is very proud of the students' work on their President Project. They did great research and wrote excellent reports. After all of that was completed, they used an app called Morfo Booth to bring their president to life! Oh my goodness are they AWESOME! Email her, and she will be happy to share one with you.

Upcoming events for PTO will include:

- 6 Flags Read to Succeed Reading logs due Friday Feb 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Character Education and Kindness Kounts assembly Tuesday Feb 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Pre- Kindergarten screening was on February 23<sup>rd</sup> @ the Methodist Church 3:30-6:30 pm.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences 12:45-3:30 March 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Thursday March 16<sup>th</sup>, Washington School will be hosting a community concert (Babbaloo) in the Panther Den at 6:30 pm. Doors open at 6:00.... Please come join us for a night of family fun and singing. This event is sponsored by the Pana Education Foundation and the teachers of Washington School.

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