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W.J. Zahnow Elementary Board Report October 2024

This past month we've had Open House, field trips to Eckert's and Braeutigam Orchards, 1st grade made Apple Pizzas with Ag in the Classroom, our students and families had another successful year selling chocolate to raise money for our school, and we've had great weather for students to be outside. Staff and students had fun again this year dressing up for Homecoming week and our staff enjoyed walking in the Homecoming Parade to see families and students.

Thank you to the Waterloo Fire Department again this year for inviting our students to the Fire House for our yearly visit. Students enjoy going to see and hear information at the Fire House, using the fire hose, and taking some fun items home.

Zahnow's "Going Green" committee has been active in the community to help raise awareness of recycling and setting up programs to help the cause. Zahnow's "FACE or Family and Community Engagement" committee has been planning a fun family night for November 21st.

Staff and students have recently participated in tornado, fire, and bus evacuation drills to prepare for an emergency that may occur.

For October, students are learning about the word "Responsible" as well as practicing it by keeping the hallways picked up. Congratulations to all the students selected this month and to all the students last month for being selected as being "Respectful."

Congratulations to Angie McAlister, who was selected for October's Staff Member of the Month. Ms. McAlister is someone who works hard to help her students, reaches out and connects with her students' families, and is one of the first to help a staff member in need. Congratulations Ms. McAlister and thank you for all that you do!

Looking Ahead

October 25th - Report Cards Go Home October 31st - Halloween Parade and Class Parties November 1st & 4th - Parent-Teacher Conferences