

#### October 2017

# What's the Word?

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# Washington Primary

### From the Principals

We will be having parent informational meetings for parents of students who scored "Not on Track." If your child scored not on track for the third grade reading guarantee, you would have received a letter from the school. We will be having parent meetings for each grade level to answer any questions, provide information about interventions, and how you can help your child grow as a reader. (Dates under Upcoming Events )

#### From the Office

<u>Fees</u> - School fees are \$40. Please pay all current and past fees as soon as possible. Quarterly payments of \$10 are accepted. <u>Attendance</u> - Daily attendance is critical for student success. Did You Know? A student is chronically absent if he or she misses as few as two days of school a month. If your child is sick or has an appointment, please call the school office that morning to report the absence.

#### From the Nurse

Due to medical concerns in the class, we are asking that you help keep Washington Primary a safe and healthy place for all student by taking some factors into consideration before sending treats in for your child's birthday or classroom celebration. We have students with certain allergies, including allergies to red food dye, milk, eggs, peanuts, and gluten. Therefore, any treats MUST be store bought with a nutrition label. Students will not be permitted to pass out homemade goods. If you have any questions about what allergies may be present in your child's classroom, please call and speak with our nurse, Mrs. Drees.

# From the Parent Advisory Committee... Positive Communication

The school day is packed full of learning, creating, and developing. The school staff is continually teaching, planning, and caring for our students. We need the support of the parents and community to help us make the learning environment here at Washington a positive, safe, and fun place for the students to learn. As a parent, if there are any concerns or suggestions, please feel free to contact your child's teacher or the principals. They will be happy to discuss your concerns. The Parent Advisory Committee is also very willing to listen to any concerns or suggestions you may have and take them back to the school. We love our children and the community, and we want to make this a team effort. Thank you for your support!

#### Parent Advisory Council

LeeAnn Foster, Wendy Pierron, Amanda Palmer, Jodi McGraw, Andrea Angle, Kelly McMaken, Abby Casto



Washington Students donate personal care items to Hurricane Harvey Victims.

#### **PBIS**

Everyday our students recite this pledge loud and proud on our morning announcements. They earn positive praise and tickets for punches on their Pride Card for demonstrating these behaviors in all locations in the school. Try saying the letters RRK to your student and listen to their response.

RRK! Everyday!

Be Respectful,

Be Responsible,

And be Kind!

Piqua Pride is Community Wide!

#### **Title I Parental Notification**

As part of our federal program requirements, we must notify parents when their child/children attend school that receives federal funding. Piqua Central Intermediate, Springcreek Primary, and Washington Primary all receive Title 1 funding. Title 1 funding is provided to schools that have high percentages of students on free and reduced lunches. All title 1 buildings use funds to reduce class sizes by increasing the number of teachers, provide professional development to teachers, and/or provide supplies for parental involvement activities.

#### Parent/Teacher Conferences

We believe that education is a team effort. That team includes the classroom teacher, intervention specialists, title reading teacher, special subject teachers, librarians, guidance counselors, instructional aides, administrators, and most importantly the student and his/her parent or guardian. We are eager to meet with you and share in the successes and even the struggles your student is having thus far in the year. Please be sure to mark your conference date on your calendar and share in your concerns with the teacher as well. We also would like to stress that conferences are not the only time to check in with the teacher - frequent communication is best!

## **Student Highlights**

#### Our 2017-2018 K-Kids Officers



Treasurer- Ella Snyder, Secretary- Lorelai Manson, President-Katie Jo Beasley, Vice President- Dylan Weatherly



1st Graders visit Charleston Falls - Wonderful learning experience in the great outdoors.



Fall Fun Run - The students ran a fantastic race and are setting their goal for spring.

## Upcoming Events

Thursday, October 5
3rd Grade Charleston Falls

Friday, October 6
3rd Grade Charleston Falls

Friday, October 13
No School for students Inservice for Teachers

Monday, October 16
5:30 - Kindergarten Reading
Guarantee Parent Meeting
6:15 1st Grade Reading
Guarantee Parent Meeting

**Thursday, October 19** Kdg. Family Night - 5:30 Big Pumpkin

**Friday, October 20**Obstacle Course Healthy Kids Fundraiser

Monday October 23 5:30 - 2nd Grade Reading Guarantee Parent Meeting 6:15 - 3rd Grade Reading Guarantee Parent Meeting

Tuesday, October 24 and Wednesday, October 25 3rd Grade AIR Reading Assessment

Friday, October 27
End of 1st Quarter

Wednesday, November 1
Parent Teacher Conferences
3:30-5:30 and 6:00-8:00

Thursday, November 2
Early Dismissal - 1:30
Parent Teacher Conferences3:30-5:30 and 6:00-8:00

Friday, November 3 No School