



February 2018

# What's the Word?

From  
Washington Primary

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## February is Healthy Heart Month

We have a great opportunity for you to get your heart in shape, and help others whose hearts may need extra special love and attention.

Washington Primary will be participating in this year's Jump for Heart, sponsored by the National Heart Association. Tuesday, February 20 will be our "kick off" day. Students will be bringing home information and can begin getting sponsors for their "jump-a-thon." Students will be doing jump rope during their Physical Education class for the following 2 weeks. The students will have a "jump off" at the end of that time to see which jumper is the best in each grade level.

## Candy Grams



K-Kids is sponsoring a Candy Gram sale for Valentine's Day. Candy Grams are small, sweet treats that will be delivered by K-Kids throughout the week to your friends and teachers. Donations from the sale will support the Piqua Arts Council. Piqua Arts Council sponsors Creative Classrooms and field trips throughout Piqua City Schools.

The price is \$0.25 per candy gram. Students can turn in order forms and money February 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th, from 8:20-8:45 in the cafeteria. Order forms will be sent home with each student. Students can get additional forms from their teacher.

## Kindergarten Registration & Screening

Do you have or know of a little one turning 5 and ready for kindergarten? It's time to register. Information will be posted on February 7 on the Piqua City Schools Website - [www.piqua.org](http://www.piqua.org). You



will be able to complete the online registration forms and then schedule a screening time - Washington Primary is Saturday, April 7 from 8:30-12:30 or Tuesday, April 17 from 4:15 - 6:15.

## Parents + Teachers = Success

Parent-Teacher Conferences are coming up - February 15, 2018. This is a great opportunity for teachers to talk with parents about their child's progress thus far in the school year. If you receive a letter for a conference, please be sure to attend. If the date or time does not work for you, you may call ahead to schedule a different time. If you do not receive a letter, but would like to talk with a teacher, please contact the teacher to set up an appointment.

Here are a few tips to help you have a positive and productive discussion that is focused on your child's educational and behavioral growth.

**Talk with your child** - Ask your child what his/her strongest and weakest subjects are, and which subjects he/she likes most and least. Ask your child if he/she would like you to speak about anything particular with the teacher, and prepare a list with notes and questions.

**Be on time** - Get off on the right start. Remember that other parents may also have conferences scheduled for that day.

**Be yourself** - Relax and be yourself. Remember that you and the teacher both want the same thing: the very best for your child.

**Ask for explanations of anything you don't understand** - Listen carefully to what the teacher says. If you don't understand something that the teacher talks about (such as an educational term or an explanation of a school policy), don't be afraid to ask for clarification.

**Create an action plan** - Ask your child's teacher for specific suggestions of ways that you can help your child at home with homework, reading, organization, routines, behavioral issues, etc. Establish a way to keep track of the child's progress, as well as the best way to stay in touch with your child's teacher



## PBIS

### Fun & Games

On Friday, January 19, 409 students participated in the 2nd quarter PBIS reward activity. Students who filled their punch cards by consistently demonstrating RRRK - Responsibility, Respect, and Kindness were invited to spent time with their teachers and classmates playing a variety of games - Legos, Twister, Cup Stacking, Jenga, Uno, Bingo, Chutes and Ladders, and more. A super fun time was had by all!



## Student Highlights



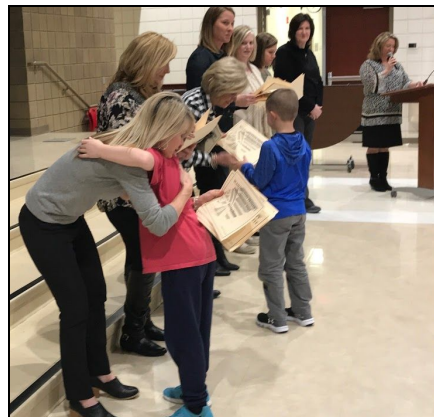
2nd Graders - Orchestra & You



January Students of the Month



K-Kids Officers present check to Piqua City Library during Kiwanis meeting. Money raise through December Read-A-Thon



So proud of all our students earning 1st Semester Awards - Perfect Attendance, Student of the Month, On a Roll, All A's, All A's & B's

## Upcoming Events

### February 5-9, 2018

K-Kids Candy Gram Sales

### February 8, 2018

2nd Grade Family Night - Nature Quest 6:00-7:00

### February 9, 2018

3rd Grade - Performance by Lima Symphony Orchestra 10:00am

### February 10, 2018

Destination Imagination - PCIS

### February 14, 2018

2nd Grade Field Trip to Victoria Theater - Petra & the Wolf. Lunch at Greene Street Church

### February 15, 2018

Early Dismissal - 1:25

Interim Reports

Parent-Teacher Conferences

3:30-5:30, 6:00-9:00

### February 16, 2018

No School

### February 19, 2018

No School - Presidents' Day

### February 20, 2018

Jump Rope for Heart Kick Off

### February 22, 2018

Board of Education meeting - Washington 6:00pm

### March 1, 2018

Power Team Assembly

### PBIS Weekly Theme

To unite as a community, committed to fostering positive behavior expectations, each week we will focus on a different behavior students can practice to demonstrate RRRK!

**Feb. 5-9** - Take Care of your own problems. Be a problem solver.

**Feb. 12-16** - Take turns when playing or talking.

**Feb. 19-23** - Keep hands and feet to yourself- pay attention to personal space.

**Feb. 26-Mar. 2** - Know your teacher's name and greet them whenever you see them.