

We are a responsible and caring community of learners.

Kirk Baumann, Principal

May 2016

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



2nd-Teacher Appreciation Week



BIRTH-day Ice Cream Celebration-after lunch

4th-Smokey Bear-Kinders & 1st gr-12:50-Gym







Fort Vannoy School-Breezeway-8:00 am to 5pm



9th to 13th - Artist in Residence 10th-Last Day for Tuesday SMART'

Kindergarten Round-Up-5:00 pm to 6:30 pm 12th_Last Day for Thursday SMART



28th-30th-Memorial Day Week-end-ENJOY YOUR FAMILY TIME!



YAHOO!!!

TIME TO ROUND 'EM UP! KINDERGARTNERS FOR 2016/17



Tuesday, May 10, 2016 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm **Fort Vannoy School**

This is your opportunity to register your child to attend kindergarten in the fall of 2016. Follow the signs to Mr. Holden's room # 10. Come visit with the Principal, Mr. Baumann, Kindergarten teachers, Mr. Holden and Miss Voorhies between 5:00 pm and 6:30 pm. Kindergarten will be full time for your child 7:40 am to 1:55 pm. Your child must be five years old by September 1, 2016 to start kindergarten.

REQUIRED FOR ENROLLMENT **BRING THIS INFORMATION WITH YOU:**

Birth Certificate Up-to-date Immunization Records





Create memories now!

Yearbooks are still available for purchase in the office for the low price of \$15.00. To purchase your child's yearbook make checks payable to Fort Vannoy Elementary

Or

send cash.

Please make sure the envelope is well marked with your child's name and classroom.

FROM THE DESKS OF ...

... Mrs. DeVore and Mrs. Solomon Second grade teachers:



Thoughts from the students'

My Mom is Special Because:

When I get hurt, she helps me. Tyler F. She is nice to me when I get sick. Zadie

She helps me do hard homework. Aspen

My mom is a great cook and a great mom. Bryer

She does her very best to be very kind and make good food for us. Kambree

She is nice and gives me hugs. Wyatt B.

She always drives me to the store to
get me presents. Colbie

She always gets me up in the morning. Tyler B.

She helps me on everything I have trouble on. Mauricio

My mom survived two dangerous accidents. She is an outstanding cook. Amelia

She is so nice and helps me when I need it. Maryjane

She is such a good cook and she loves my family.

Maya

She gets to have a horse to ride. Wyatt N.

She loves me and she takes care of me. Payden

She makes creative dinners. Christian

She loves me and she's always caring about others.
I love her. Myra

She has beautiful eyes. Austin

She always takes really, really good care of me and she buys good food. Luca

I love her and she makes my food. She helps me when I'm hurt. Jackson

She goes to school with me to help me. Karsten

She is the best mom ever! Christien M.

She buys me clothes and takes care of me.

Malachi

She is so helpful and nice and she loves me.

Dakota

She is awesome at cooking and she is really fun.

Aiden P.

She plays with me a lot outside. Dyllan

She cares about me. Alex

Without my mom we would not be born. and see the earth. Krystine

She loves me very much. Jaidyn

Not only does she help me, but she helps other kids too. That's why I love her. Sasha

She is a really good cook. I love my mom.

Mathew

She is very kind to others. Talos

She is the best cook and she loves me a lot.

Loghan

She is so nice and she is so good checking on me. Cayden

She gets me ready for school and she is the best mom ever. Hunter

She helps me with my homework. Kayla

My mom takes care of me and she loves me.

Amber

She puts my clothes in my cubby and feeds me. Gus

She is a very good cook and she takes good care of

me. Clay

She is the best cook I know. Hayden

She helps me with my homework and other stuff.

Colton.

An awesome cook and an awesome mom.

Aiden F.

When I rode my brother's motorcycle she said I would get extra candy for the movie. Tanner

She helps me grow and she takes good care of me.

Braylon

She is the best cook. Nolan

She loves me in every way! Janae

She is an awesome cook. Donovan

She takes good care of me. Jack She makes me feel so loved. Brian

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

Many, many hours were dedicated to reading, memorizing the authors and titles from some of the following books:

<u>Level One</u>

The Family Under the Bridge, Baby, Betsy Bear, Misty of Chincoteague and many more.

<u>Level Two</u>

Black Beauty, Where the Red Fern Grows, Call it Courage, Flip-Flop Girl and many more. Representing Level One and going on to the District Level are:

> Chloe Davison, Ryan Gaskin, Abby Spangler and Janae Nugent

Representing Level Two and going on to the District Level $\,$

Laney Myers, Jace Elzy, Brice Goode and Elena Kelly.

The District Battle of the Books will be held on Saturday, April 30th from 8:30am to 12:40pm at Fruitdale Elementary





The District Spelling Bee was held April 6, 2016 at the District Office. Representing the 3rd grade was Jack Matthew and for 5th grade Jaylen Jenkins. A written test was given to all students in each division at the same time. Contestants had approximately ten seconds to write the word. When all words were given the judges then scored the tests. Jaylen Jenkins represented the fifth grade very proudly. Jack Matthew went on to receive the 3rd place certificate and trophy for his division.

Congratulations to these two fine spellers!

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS

Fort Vannoy encourages all parents, grandparents and community members to volunteer at our school. Please go to the district website:

www.threerivers.k12.or.us

Go to the District drop down tab and select Volunteer Information and complete the form. After you are approved to be a volunteer, which could take up to two weeks, please come to the office and sign in on the laptop computer located on Mrs. Verser's counter.

Destination Imagination at the Fort



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Fort Vannoy's *Electrocuted Squirrels* Advance to Destination Imagination's Global Finals, the Largest Celebration of Creativity in the World

Grants Pass, OR April 2, 2016 -- After achieving honors for creativity, teamwork and innovation in regional and state academic tournaments, The *Electrocuted Squirrels* of Fort Vannoy Elementary have earned the right to compete in Destination Imagination's Global Finals, the world's largest celebration of student creativity, to be held May 25-28 in Knoxville, Tennessee. Team members include Elena Kelly, Brynna DeLonge, Iris Shaughnessy, Jaylen Jenkins, Jason Huntley and Thorn O'Neill.

They will compete with other teams in *Close Encounters*, one of seven, open-ended challenges that require students to apply science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) skills, in addition to their talents in improvisation, theater arts, writing, project management, communication, innovation, teamwork, community service and social entrepreneurship.

"These students have had a great time learning improvisation and cooperation skills. They have truly earned the honor of participating at Global Finals, says Jim Kriz, team manager of *The Electrocuted Squirrels*.

"Destination is great. I love learning about improvisation," said Elena Kelly, student on *The Electrocuted Squirrels*.

Destination Imagination has had a positive impact on more than 1.5 million students who have taken part in its acclaimed Challenge program. This year, 150,000 students have participated in tournaments throughout the U.S. and 30 countries in hopes of earning a spot at the Global Finals competition in May.

The Electrocuted Squirrels are among more than 8,000 students representing more than 1,400 teams that will advance to Global Finals, which will be held at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville May 25-28.

"The Destination Imagination program is a fun, hands-on system of learning that fosters students' creativity, courage and curiosity," said Chuck Cadle, CEO of Destination Imagination. "Quantitative reasoning, collaborative problem solving, risk taking, collaboration, presentations and thinking on your feet are some of the important skills learned in the program."

Destination Imagination is a leader in project-based learning opportunities that blend STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) education with the arts and social entrepreneurship. Its academic challenges are designed to teach kids how to think, not what to think, and

then present their solutions at regional and state tournaments.

Each year, DI competitions begin with a regional tournament, where team solutions are assessed by a panel of trained appraisers, ranging from educators to artists to engineers. Each team solution is scored on a variety of elements, including originality, workmanship, presentation and teamwork. Teams with the highest scores advance to the Affiliate (state or country) tournaments. The top-tiered teams from the Affiliate tournaments advance to Global Finals.

Destination Imagination, Inc. dedicates itself to enriching the global community by providing opportunities for learners of all ages to explore and discover using the creative process from imagination to innovation.

For more information about Global Finals, visit http://globalfinals.org/.

About Destination Imagination

Destination Imagination, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) volunteer-led non-profit organization whose purpose is to inspire and equip students to become the next generation of innovators and leaders. The most popular education offering is the Challenge Program, where student teams solve open-ended STEM, arts and service learning Challenges and present their solutions to trained Appraisers. Founded in 1982, Destination Imagination has impacted more than 1.5 million students. To learn more, please visit http://destinationimagination.org.

Fort Vannoy Elementary's *Electrocuted Squirrels* (from left to right): Jaylen Jenkins, Jason Huntley, Thorn O'Neill, Iris Shaughnessy, Elena Kelly, Brynna DeLonge



Class Placement

Careful consideration is given when assigning students to next year's teacher. Our intent is to assure a balance in all classes according to class size, compostion, academic abilities, special needs and teacher recommendation. We appreicate the fact that you, as a parent, may have valuable information about your child. Although Fort Vannoy does not accept requests from parents for next year's teacher, we do appriciate any specifics you can give us that will help make the best decisions regarding placement for your child. Please stop by the office to pick up your placement form. Forms must be returned to the office by **Friday, May 27, 2016**.