



FORT VANNOY TRIBE-UNE



We are a responsible and caring community of learners.

Kirk Baumann, Principal





April 2015



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



APRIL 2015

- 2nd- Spelling Bee-12:15-1:45- Cafe 
- 9th- Battle of the Books 
- 10th- Clerical Day—No School for Students 
- 14th- PTA Meeting—Library -2:15 pm
- 15th- Evening Conferences- YES, School for Students
- 16th- All Day Conferences-NO School for Students
- 17th- Non School Day for All 
- 21st- TRSBM @ IVHS 7:00 pm



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday,
 May 2, 2015
 5:00 to 8:00 pm
 Fort Vannoy Carnival

“Under the Big Top”



Family Fun, Food, Prizes, Silent
 Auction, Cookie Walk, Cotton Candy,
 Snow Cones and much, much more!



ROTARY STUDENT OF THE YEAR Fifth grader Brett Elzy

Fort Vannoy Elementary was honored to have fifth grader Brett Elzy be the recipient of the Rotary Student of the Year award. I'd like to share some thoughts. Think about some of the slogans kids encounter: "Just do it" "Why wait?" "Obey your thirst" "No boundaries" "Got the urge?" In other words, be selfish, instantly gratify yourself, regardless of the consequences. And remember, "He who dies with the most toys wins."

It never ceases to amaze me how our society strives to attend to the endless hunger to satisfy self. Even more amazing is to see young people today growing up in this society with the gift of putting others before themselves. We are here today to honor one particular young person who shows true character by doing just that and more.

Brett Elzy has grown into maturity beyond his years. He has always been highly intelligent, particularly eloquent with written words and speech; setting him apart from his peers. Early on in his elementary years, Brett had a decision to make about his gifted intelligence. He could listen to societal influences and use it for his self-seeking desires, or he could follow the value system and example set by his parents and the other adults in his life by using his gifts to help others. It is evident that he has chosen the second. Brett is kind, respectful, always willing to help. In addition, he is mindful of his school work.

I am so proud of Brett and all he has done to earn this award. Outside of his daily academic accomplishments, the past three years Brett has been part of the Ft. Vannoy Destination Imagination team helping them win a state championship. Most recently, Brett received 1st place at our District Science Fair. With all I've shared, I would be remised if I did not recognize the fact that students like this don't just happen. The adults in Brett's life have had a profound influence in his life. I would like to recognize Dawn & Jason for their timeless and prosperous investments in their son's life. Dawn & Jason are active PTA members and they volunteer regularly in the classroom. They truly care about this community and its most precious commodity; children.

Thank you Dawn & Jason!



Destination Imagination



I am happy to report that Fort Vannoy's Destination Imagination (long-term problem-solving) team, the *Bright Lights*, finished in **second place** at the Southern Oregon Regional Destination Imagination Tournament last Saturday (the Ultimate Pi Day, incidentally). The team showed great cooperation and quick-thinking as the students improvised three 2-minute sketches, with just a 1-minute preparation time for each sketch. They also solved an Instant Challenge we have all pledged not to reveal at this time, due to Tournament security protocol. The team has qualified to compete in the Oregon State Destination Imagination Tournament in Salem on April 11th. Feel free to offer your congratulations to our *Bright Lights*: Brett Elzy, Caden Brierty, Isaiah Eide, Eva Lagorio, Elena Kelly and Brynna DeLonge.

I am especially pleased to have another month to work with this group of students.

Lori Chamberlain, 5th grade teacher at Manzanita, also has a team headed to the State Tournament. Three Rivers will be well represented!

Jim Kriz, Third Grade Teacher

PTA News

PTA is looking forward and planning for the future. General elections for the PTA Board will be held at our May meeting. If you haven't had a chance to come to a meeting, April would be a fantastic time to come and see what PTA is all about.

Join us Tuesday, April 14 at 2:15 in the library!

Meet the staff, parent, and teacher volunteers who work together to help make Fort Vannoy an awesome community for our students. Do you know a friend who feels passionately about our school? Tell them about the meeting! Bring them along!

HELP WANTED!

Do you drop-off or pick-up your student(s) on a regular basis? Do you have about 30 minutes you could spare about once a month while you're at Fort Vannoy? (Perhaps while you're waiting in your car at the end of the school day?) PTA is looking for a volunteer to update the reader board (the large sign board near the road) during the upcoming school year. This is a flexible position- this job can be done almost any time during school hours (or just after school). If you're interested, contact Jessica Shriver at 541.441.7632 for information or training opportunities!



Science Fair at the District Office

The Three Rivers School District Science and Engineering Fair was held February 25th at the District Office. The following Fort Vannoy students were evaluated by their teachers on their science project presentations presented in the classroom and then were evaluated by 2 judges at the District Office.

THE RESULTS



Participation

Hunter Goode
Brice Goode
David Nichols
Mirriam Moreno
Katie Davis
Ebony Milburn
Araya Hogan
Kyler Edwards
Jordan Armstrong
Sophie Williams

Bronze

Alexus Hyde
Brynna DeLonge
Aiden Rubey
Mercedes Hyde
Jason Huntley
Thorn O'Neill
Sarah O'Donnell
Jaylen Jenkins
Sam Brazier
Brooks Nelson

Silver

Jace Elzy
Rolan Johnson
Madison White
Sophie Lenahan
Rilee Welliver
Sarah Shriver
Zachery Mayle
Austin Griffith



Gold

Bria Gerard
Jersey Malcolm
Laney Myers
Elena Kelly
Nadan Gibson
Kayla Radar
Saddie Hogan
Brett Elzy
Ben Deatherage
Andrew Romero

Outstanding job to you all!



Science

From the Desk of . . .

. . . Mrs. Solomon and Mrs. DeVore,
Second Grade Teachers



Spring is in the air!

Spring is a wonderful time of year. Spring is often associated with rebirth, renewal, and regrowth. It is often a time in the classroom that students begin a blossoming and their absorption of knowledge grows exponentially. Is it because at Spring Equinox days are close to 12 hours long, with day length increasing as the season progress...so students are reading more? We'd like to think there is lots of reading and learning happening with a balance of outside activity.

We asked our second grade students what spring means to them. These are their responses:

 **Second Grade** 
SPRING

Springtime means pretty flowers blooming, nice warm days, and going on walks. Adrian

Springtime means I go swimming at the river with my brother. Jimmy


Springtime means a very nice day and baby piglets. Kenny B.

Springtime means flowers blooming and taking walks in the sunlight. Gavin 

Springtime means to spend time with my family and going on walks with my mom. Sunny

Springtime means nice warm days and playing in my yard. Gabe W.

Springtime means Spring Break and a nice sunny day. Ethan

Springtime means I get to see baby goslings hatch. Javen 

Springtime means going on walks with my sister and mom to the park. Adeline

Springtime means nice warm days all the time like summer! Anthony 

Springtime means playing in a park in my yard. Matthew 

Springtime means having fun and playing outside with your friends and family. Jayden T.

Springtime means flowers are starting to bloom and butterflies are starting to come back. Jayden R. 


Springtime means I go for a walk to the park. Angelina

Springtime means beautiful flowers blooming in the nice warm days. Skylie

Springtime means baby ducklings are being born. All baby animals are being born. Abby S.

Springtime means Spring Break and swimming in my blue pool. Hunter 

Springtime means that baby kids come out and play in your play. Kenny S.

Springtime means pink flowers and blue flowers and butterflies flying in the air. Lexi 

Springtime means enjoying your break and having a great time. Adynn

Springtime means having Spring Break and swimming in the water and riding my bike. Noah S.

Springtime means nice warm days in the pool under the sun. Kaitlin 

Springtime means no more winter clothes to me! Addison

Springtime means a lot to me because I have more time with my family. Ryanne

Springtime means Spring Break and having the Easter Bunny. Jack 

Springtime means going to Hawaii with cousins. Hannah

Springtime means Easter comes and no school is the best. Rashani 

Springtime means my family and I play outside.

Andean 🌻

Springtime means you get to play baseball, soccer, and football with your mom and dad. Liam

Springtime means seeing bees, flowers, dragonflies, and dandelions. Scarlett

Springtime means having fun. Gabe O. 🌻

Springtime means having smoothies. Cody

Springtime means vacation at my vacation house. Braxton

Springtime means I get to play outside and have Spring Break off of school. Makiah 🌻

Springtime means hard boiled eggs, candy, no school, and video games. Damien

Springtime means that my Daddy and I get to make a garden. Hailey

Springtime means video games forever. Noah L. 🌻

Springtime means I get to spend a lot of time with my family. Mckinzie

Springtime means I get to go to Mark's home. Miles

Springtime means that the flowers are coming. Xander 🌻

Springtime means family time in Hawaii. Denya

Springtime means to be with your family and friends! Derek 🌻

Springtime means I get to have another ballet recital. Abigail

Springtime means going to Wyoming to my Grandpas. Austyn 🌻



Scholastic Book Fair

Once again, a huge THANK YOU to Nadyah Field for her tireless devotion to Fort Vannoy School. She and the many volunteers made the Scholastic Book Fair a wonderful experience for all the students here at the Fort. The "One 4 Books" competition brought in a \$346.28 with Mrs. Lovell's first grade class coming in first place. The class earned a popcorn party and \$30.00 worth of book fair money.



OREGON BOOKS

Mention Fort Vannoy School every time you shop at Oregon Books, located at 150 NE "E" St, to earn money for student programs!" It's as easy as that!

THREE RIVERS SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

Want to hear what's happening in your school district? Check out the NEW monthly

Three Rivers Tidings at:

threerivers.k12.or.us

Find it under "Quick Links" the "District News"

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