

FORT VANNOY TRIBE-UNE

We are a responsible and caring community of learners.

Kathie Hill, Principal

December 2008

UPCOMING EVENTS



DECEMBER 2008

- Dec 1st- Clerical Day- No School
- Dec 3rd- Evening Conferences
- Dec 4th- Conferences – No School for Elementary
- Dec 5th- No School for Elementary
- Dec 6th- NVHS Country Christmas Bazaar- 9-4
Fleming Yard Sale- 8-3
- Dec 8th- Fort Vannoy Christmas Program
@ GGPAC @ 7:00 pm
Sally Foster Cookie Dough Delivered
- Dec 8th & 9th- 3rd gr "Talk About Trees"--Gym
- Dec 15th- Site Council- 2:15
- Dec 17th- Parent Lunch- Please join us!
- Dec 22nd-Christmas Vacation- Enjoy!!!
- Dec 26th- Kid Zone @ "The Club" -5:30 – 7:30
- Jan 5th- School Resumes



Need a great Christmas present idea?

How about a ...

FORT VANNOY T-SHIRT or SWEATSHIRT.

Both are available in the school office. T-shirts are \$7.50, sweatshirts are \$12.00. Wear your school colors proudly!



Fort Vannoy Elementary's
Web Site

www.threerivers.k12.or.us/FV

Please feel free to visit and check out important dates and upcoming events.



Just a reminder, if you purchase books from Oregon Books, located in the Grants Pass Shopping Center, mention Fort Vannoy School and Oregon Books will then in turn donate back to the school 5% of your purchase price.



Attendance

Fort Vannoy's attendance is improving. October of 2007 the percent of students attending school was 94.85 %. For October 2008 the percent improved to 95.48%. That's a gain of .63%. WOW!!!! Having good attendance is so beneficial to all. Let's keep up the good work and strive for 96% next month.

The Best Things in Life are Free

Breakfast is the most important meal of the day. Get your child off to a great healthy start for the day. A wholesome, nutritious breakfast at Fort Vannoy is available FREE to ALL students. Starting at 7:15 am every morning, Mrs. Humphrey, our superb cook, will prepare everything from oatmeal to egg & cheese English muffins. A variety of fresh fruits, cereal bars, bagels and cold milk are all available at no cost to you every morning in the cafeteria.



Christmas Music Program



REMINDER

Our entire school will be performing Monday, December 8th, at 7:00 pm at the Grants Pass Performing Arts Center. Students need to be there at 6:45 pm. Nice jeans on bottom, either red or green shirt on top. Shirts should be as solid-colored as possible, but nice smaller designs or okay (i.e. no BIG cartoonish pictures or large words.) Regarding shoes: NO high heels, open-toed sandals, or flip-flops; nice tennis shoes are fine.

We Want Your Plastic Bags

Wal-Mart is sponsoring an easy way to earn money for our school. Simply gather your plastic shopping bags and deposit them in the green boxes located in the cafeteria. PTA will then collect them and turn them into Wal-Mart. Once you start recycling your bags you will be astounded at the amount you would have thrown into the trash!

Check out the Web-site @

www.kidsrecyclingchallenge.com



FIND YOUR LOST ITEMS

The Lost and Found barrel in the gym runneth over once again. Please stop by and check out the found items. There are many new warm coats, sweatshirts, lunch pails, etc. At the end of the trimester all items will be boxed up and given to a needy organization.



Kid Zone Night

Where: Club Northwest

When: Friday, December 26, 2008

5:30-7:30 PM

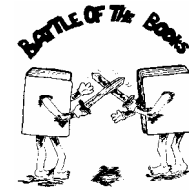
Why: Fun and Exercise

\$5.00 per child

Remember to wear socks.



Let the Battle Begin



Battle of the Books Elementary competition will be held Saturday, April 25, 2009.

TOYS FOR TOTS

The U.S. Marine Corps Reserve is collecting new unwrapped toys for the Christmas season. If you would like to contribute a toy, the drop off box is located outside the office. The Reserves will pick up the donation box on December 16th. The toys will be distributed on December 20th, from 8:00 to 2:30 at the Young Marine Headquarters located at 395 Merlin Rd. For more information go to

www.toysfortots.org



From the desk of ...
... Mrs. Guthrie, 1st grade teacher

The 1st graders and Mrs. Guthrie thank you!

Dear Mrs. Hill,
Thank you for keeping us safe.
Love, Alyssa

Dear Mrs. Hankins,
We like it when you teach us how to sing. We love the
Christmas songs!
Love, Our Class

Dear Mrs. Hill,
Thank you for telling us what we should do and should
not do.
Your students, Quinton

Dear Mrs. Brown,
Thank you for letting us use the computers. We really
have a lot of fun!
Sincerely, Morgan

Dear Mrs. Baertschiger,
Thank you for helping me read. It makes me read
better. Love, Trinity

Dear Mrs. Lamb,
Thanks you for letting me read, and all the people read.
Jeremiah White

Dear Mrs. Lamb,
I like you because you help everybody be safe.
Your friend, Devin

Dear Mrs. Staley,
Thanks you for all the books and I like your books.
Your student, Tessa

Dear Mrs. Humphrey and Mrs. Briggs,
I like how you cook and the things that you cook are
good.
Your friend, Christian

Dear Mrs. Dastrup,
You are the most wonderful office manager in the
world. I love you. You're thanked for the most
wonderful toys for the essential pieces.
Yours truly, your student, Terry

Dear Mrs. Regnart,
You are beautiful every day.
Your friend, Natalie

Dear Mrs. Brown,
Thank you, Mrs. Brown, for letting us use the
computers. Your computer looks cool. The pencils
look cool too. I love you so much.
Noah

Dear Mrs. Edwards,
I like your classroom. You look pretty.
Love, Maribel

Dear Mr. Pumilia,
I want you to make little kids happy.
Love, Maribel

Mrs. Cooke,
I miss you very much. And I will see you some time.
Love, Chloe

Dear Mr. Holte,
Thank you for tying my shoes. Thank you for
cleaning.
Sincerely, Jason

Dear Mrs. Verser,
You help the people here and the kids. You help us
be quiet and get us to the right bus.
Sincerely, Dallas

Dear Mrs. Rubey, Mrs. Sues, Ms. Watson and
Mrs. Lantello,
Thank you for teaching me.
Love, Makayla

Dear Colleen,
You are terrific to us. Thank you for giving us stars.
Love, Drew

Dear Mrs. DeVore,
You are a great language arts teacher.
Your friends, Cyrus and Fiona

Dear Mrs. Solomon,
You are a great math teacher!
Your friends, Cyrus and Fiona

Dear Mrs. Ogden,
Thank you for keeping the cafeteria clean.
Love, Julia

Dear Mrs. Tulare,
You always help clean up spills.

Dear Mrs. Brown,
Thank you for our whole class to have computers.
Sincerely, Brason

Dear Mrs. Brown,
Thank you for letting us play computer games.
Love, Ben

Dear Mrs. Tulare,
Thank you for cleaning up my mess.
Love, Ozlyn

Dear Mrs. Schmoll,
You are good at helping kids play kickball safely.
Your friends, Terry and Devin

Dear Mrs. Maxwell,
Thank you for helping us to read, and for giving us
cookies.
Warmly, from your SMART students.

Dear Mrs. Beirsto,
We love having your son, Ryan, give us the end-of-
the-day notes.
Yours truly, Our Class

Dear Mrs. Verser,
Thank you for taking me to the right place when I got
all muddy.
Kindly, Nathan

Dear PTA,
Thank you for raising money for our school.
Love, Our Class

Dear Mrs. Rowe,
You are good at helping us to not share food, and
knowing when we are done eating.
Love, Our Class

From the desk of Mrs. Cooke . . .
. . . 1st grade teacher

This is a very busy time in our classroom. We are learning about the first Thanksgivings. Next week, we will celebrate as the first pilgrims did, with a feast. We decided that there is a lot to be thankful for!

I am thankful for . . .

I am thankful for my dad and mom.
I am thankful for my cat and dog.
I am thankful for my grandpa and grandma.
I am thankful for my friends.
I am thankful for my home.
Ashley Moser

I am thankful for Thanksgiving.
Isaac Bowden

I am thankful for my daddy and mommy.
I am thankful for my dog.
I am thankful for my home.
Katelynn Tarr

I am thankful for Jesus.
I am thankful for my dad and mom.
I am thankful for my food.
I am thankful for my home.
Cory D'Arpino

I am thankful for my grandma.
I am thankful for mom and dad.
Christina Blume

I am thankful for my mom and dad.
I am thankful for my cat.
Kaylee Touey

I am thankful for my grandma and grandpa.
I am thankful for my mom and dad.
Faith Nugent

I am thankful for mom and dad.
Kevin Brinkman

I am thankful for my mom.
I am thankful for my dog.
Mersades Vastbinder

I am thankful for my dad and mom.
I am thankful for my dog.
David Pogue

I am thankful for my dog.
I am thankful for my mommy and daddy.
I am thankful for my sister.
Megan Taormino

I am thankful for my mom.
I am thankful for Jesus.
I am thankful for God.
I am thankful for my Uncle Richard.
Kara Mathias

I am thankful for my dad.
Luis Grajeda