



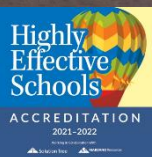
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NEWSLETTER



February 4, 2022



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COMING SOON

Faculty PD Day

No School
Monday, February 7

PTO: Suits and Sequins Dance

FES Gym
Friday, February 11
6-8p
(Sign-up extended to 2/9)

Presidents Day

No School
Monday, February 21

Ultimate 2's Day

Dress-up Day & Food Drive
See flyer on pg. 3
Tuesday, February 22

FES Families,

Well, this week ended up being rather out-of-the-ordinary with an early dismissal and 2 eLearning days. Thank you to everyone who made lemonade out of any lemons. This past Wednesday was actually Global Play Day, and I am a firm believer that play is extremely important to child development. I hope that many of our students were able to get out and experience some good playing in the snow.

All of Mt. Vernon's faculty are fortunate to welcome Rick Wormeli, a noted educator, author, and speaker, to our district on the Performance Qualified day we received from the state for professional development based on meeting student achievement thresholds. Much of the credit for our district's strong performance rests with the students and their supportive parents, so thank you! We are looking forward to the information he will share and to the conversations that will spring from the sessions held on Monday. We want to constantly pursue excellence in what we do for kids each day.

Finally, from the health clinic... The Health Room is running low on clothing. Please have kindergarten and 1st grade pack an extra set of clothing in their backpack. New packaged undergarment donations and gently used pants are always welcome.

Dr. Edwards
Principal

**"It is a happy talent to know how to play."
- Ralph Waldo Emerson**

REMINDER: ID Needed

We use LobbyGuard at our front door to help identify and track all visitors to the building during the school day. This system requires a government-issued photo ID (such as a driver's license). We also use this system for when someone signs out a student, so don't forget to bring it up to the building when you arrive.



Counselor's Corner

Krista Weber, FES School Counselor

This month, FES students learned how to assess the true size of a problem and then how to match their reaction to it. Students learned that most problems are levels 1-3 and they can be solved with calm words, compromise, or even just moving on. If a problem is truly a 4 or 5, they may feel dysregulated and will likely need an adult's help to arrive at a solution. This visual is now in every grade level classroom and is available to you [HERE](#) for use at home if you would like. Several students commented that they needed this at home to help them not overreact to their brothers and sisters!

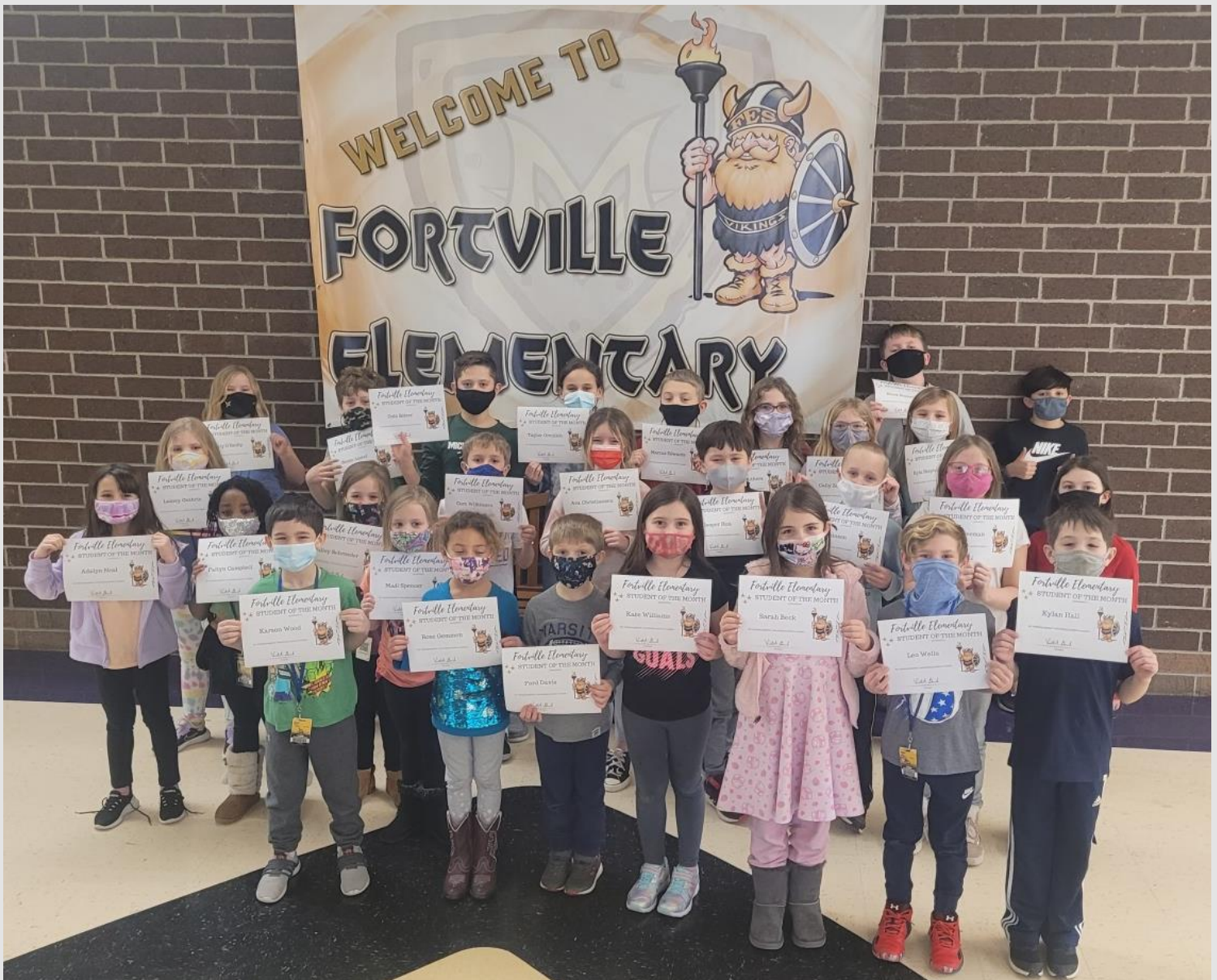
Remember...THINK FAST: Freeze Ask Size Try

Size of the Problem	5	EMERGENCY! I'm in danger!
	4	I need help! I can ask an adult to help me solve this problem.
	3	I can try! I might be ok on my own, but I MAY need help from an adult.
	2	I've got this! I can solve this problem myself.
	1	No big deal! I can just ignore it & move on.

Size of My Reaction	5	Fight! Flight! Freeze! My lid is flipped & I need to regulate!
	4	Regulate and Redo I feel dysregulated & need help.
	3	Make a choice Breathe, use my good words, or ask for help if I need it.
	2	Stop and think I can stay calm, use my words, & solve with a compromise.
	1	No big deal I can ignore, walk away, & move on.

Students of the Month

These students were chosen by their classroom teachers for the month of January for “sticking together” and setting a positive example. We celebrated this week with posicles with our administrators. We are so proud of these great kids and the great choices they make each day!



Reporting Absences

Please assist us by being sure to call our office at 317-485-3180 or email elizabeth.thomas@mvcsc.k12.in.us if your student is going to be absent. With state reporting, we have to assign specific codes for every absence, and it saves our office staff a lot of time each day if we don't have to call to follow-up on students that are marked absent by their teachers.



MV Reads: News from the Library

Reading books with your child can be a great way to connect while helping them learn valuable lessons. Author of *The Read-Aloud Handbook* Jim Trelease says in this article ["Don't Stop Reading to Your Kids Once They Learn How to Read"](#) "If you read a book about a kid who gets in trouble by hanging out with the wrong crowd, your child is going to experience that directly, and she's going to experience it with you at her side, and you can talk about it together. You can ask questions like: 'Do you think the boy made the right choice?' 'Do you think that girl was really her friend?' When you talk about a book together, it's not a lecture, it's more like a coach looking at a film with his players, going over the plays to find out what went right and what went wrong."

Be a Substitute Teacher and Employment

Fortville Elementary is a great place to work, and we would love to have you join our team. You can apply on the MV Employment website [HERE](#).

FES currently is seeking cafeteria workers, 2nd shift custodians, a High Ability IA, and an extended leave substitute teacher for 2nd grade.

Be the reason a kid learned something today

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Back to school

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PTO



Please complete the bottom portion of this page along with your payment to your teacher. **Advanced ticket sales close on Friday February 4, 2022.**

Student Name: _____

Teacher Name: _____

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_____ # of children attending

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