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Powhatan County Public Schools School Board Report

Flat Rock Elementary School

June 2022



General Information

The spring months were filled with the return of field trips, competitions, picnics, awards assemblies and field day!

Each spring, Mrs. Wolf's 4th and 5th grade students participate in the Stock Market Game. Students learn how the stock market works and compete against 4th-12th grade teams in an effort to make the most money by making good stock purchases. 510 teams participated in the spring VCU Region game and Flat Rock had 2 of the top earning elementary teams. Congratulations to the second place elementary team of Ethan Nelson and Asher Ingebretsen. Their team called the Jabber Jays had a total equity of \$104,783.31. Also, congratulations to the third place elementary team of Myron Fuller and Mario Ortega. Their team called the Big Time SMGers had total equity of \$103,175.74. Congratulations to all the teams that participated in the VCU sponsored spring Stock Market Game.



Flat Rock students also had a fantastic showing at this year's Future Problem Solving competition. Congratulations to the following:

Presentation of Action Plan Presentation Fan Favorite Skit

#1 Favorite - Connor Bozard, Jeremiah Brooks, Kara Emery, MacKenzie Ringstaff, Flat Rock Elementary, Coach Lori Wolf



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#3 Favorite - Benjamin Mayer, Liam Edwards, Robert Stewart, Tucker Lyons, Coach Lori Wolf

Global Issues Problem Solving Program Individual's Competition

1st Place - Brooks Fessler, Flat Rock Elementary School, Coach Lori Wolf

Global Issues Problem Solving Program Team Competition

Honorable Mention - Flat Rock Elementary, Benjamin Mayer, Liam Edwards, Robert Stewart, Tucker Lyons, Coach Lori Wolf



Kindergarten Registration was held on April 14 and 15. This year's theme was Kindergarten Round Up. The western theme was evident in the photo back drop, treat bags presented to students and staff members' attire.

Our 5th grade students enjoyed a trip to the Frontier Culture Museum in Staunton, Virginia on April 20th.

On April 27th, Central Office administration showered FRES Staff with hand-dipped ice cream with sweet and savory toppings and a PCPS back pack!

Teachers and staff were overwhelmed with joy to receive letters, poems, drawings and hand-picked flowers from their students. Our FREStastic PTO demonstrated their gratitude during Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week. FRES Staff were treated to gift bags, breakfast and snack bar a delicious catered BBQ lunch with all the fixings from a local Powhatan business (Star of Grace BBQ). The following week teachers and staff enjoyed a relaxing 10-minute chair massage, compliments of our PTO. What an invigorating ending to a fabulous week!





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May 4th our CBI students and staff participated in the annual Little Feet Meet at James River High School in Midlothian, Virginia.

On the evening of May 4th FRES Teacher of the Year, Mark Thompson and FRES Retirees, Lori Wolf and Tanja Atkins-Nelson and their spouses enjoyed an elegant dinner and program at Independence Golf in Powhatan.

Our first grade students enjoyed a field trip to the Henricus Historical Park in Chester, Virginia on May 5th.

Our second students busily learned about families and worked on activities that went along with The Relatives Came. On May 6th, relatives came from various parts to join the relative picnic on the front lawn. This culminating activity was a total surprise to our students!

The kindergarten classes (**Mrs. Mimms, Ms. Moss, Mrs. Sadler, Mrs. Schwartz** and **Mrs. Valcourt**) hosted a lovely Mother's Day Tea Celebration on May 6.

Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. Ellis hosted a breakfast for our nurses, instructional assistants, cafeteria staff and HES custodians on May 11th.

Prior to SOL, Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. Ellis hosted a Lunch Bunch with 3rd, 4th and 5th grade classes. The purpose of the lunch bunch was to discuss SOL strategies and preparation as students enjoyed a chat and chew in a relaxing atmosphere with their principals.

SOL testing began on May 16.

Our 4-year old preschool students enjoyed their first field trip to the Children's Museum in Midlothian, VA on May 25th!

Students and staff alike enjoyed a 4-day Memorial Day weekend from May 26 – May 30. SOL testing resumed after the holiday.



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May 31st was an exciting day for our fifth grade students. The day began with their Awards Assembly and ended with their Glow Party Celebration! Many



thanks to our parents and 5th grade teachers for planning the awesome 5th grade celebration.

Mr. Ellison, Ms. Leslie and Mrs. Chapman (PTO volunteer) planned a fun-filled field day (events, face painting, tattoo and water stations) which was held on June 1st. In addition, to the fantastic events staff and students were treated to Kona Ice.

On the last day of school, our preschool through 4th grade students clapped and cheered for our 5th grade students as they took their final walk through the halls, sporting their PMS spirit wear attire!

Teachers, staff and students said their summer farewell Flat Rock style, with lots of bubble, smiles, waves and beach music, as the buses were boarded.

Student and Staff Recognition

During the May School Board meeting, Mark Thompson, FRES Teacher of the Year, Year, and Luke Martin, FRES Support Staff of the Year, were recognized. In addition, our nursing staff, Jenn Lawson and Mary Ann Huber were recognized by the school board for Nurse's Appreciation Week.

Many thanks to the ACA Juniors for their assistance with field day: **Racuel Iga, Delaney Sanders, Donald Market, Sara Barnett, Hayden Blisick, Cole Whiting, Rebecca Stevens, Alyssa Gorman, Lucy Redlich, Lillian Golden, Jaden Cabaniss, Ricky Huber and Josh Holland.**





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Mrs. Nelson was overwhelmed with joy by the outpouring love and support that she received during the surprise Farewell Retirement Parade held on the last day of school. Students and staff adorned her with a crown, leis, flowers, banners and best wished as she said her final farewells.

During the grand finale, Mrs. Nelson waved to her students, staff and families while riding on the back of the motorcycle of a family friend. Thank you, **Geoffrey Mosby**, for giving Mrs. Nelson a joy ride on the final day of the 2021-2022 school year.

Enjoy a splendid summer! Much success next year and beyond!

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Tanja Atkins-Nelson, Principal