

Newsletter

May 16, 2024

WHAT'S IN THIS NEWSLETTER?

- **Updates** - Fundraiser, Sports, Spring Fling, Saints Game
- **Sign-ups** - Lunch Orders, Health Forms, Carnival Volunteers, Lunch Volunteers, Summer Camps
- **Profile of the Week** - Taylor Elasky, 2nd Grade Teacher



FLAG FOOTBALL PLAYOFF WIN!

We want to congratulate our football team for their playoff win over Hmong College Prep Academy! Thank you, Coach Vang and Coach Jeske, for your hard work with the team! Way to go, Tigers!



FUN AT THE SAINTS GAME

Our 3rd-12th grade students had an exciting day away from school at the Saints baseball game on Tuesday! The weather was beautiful, and we were proud of how well-behaved our students were.

IMPORTANT DATES

May 17 - Spring Carnival
May 27 - Memorial Day (NO SCHOOL)
May 30 - Happy Hour FIT Fundraiser
May 31 - Senior Kayak Trip
June 4 - Kindergarten Graduation, 1pm
June 4 - FIT Graduation, 5pm

**JUNE LUNCH ORDERS - Due
Tuesday, May 21**

**K-8 JUNE LUNCH
MENU**

**9-12 MAY LUNCH
MENU**



It is Carnival time!!! This annual event is a highlight of the Spring semester! We hope all FIT families will be able to join us on **Friday, May 17 from 5-7 pm** for this fun event. Games, bouncy house, food and lots of fun with FIT families and staff!

To have a successful carnival, we need your help! Parents and high school students are welcome to volunteer, and we still have many slots still open. The time slots are only an hour so you can volunteer as well as enjoy the event with your family.

Students in K-7th grade must be accompanied by an adult at this event.

[SIGN-UP TO VOLUNTEER!](#)



ABC COUNTDOWN FOR K-5!

Our K-5 are celebrating the end of the school year with an ABC Countdown! Your child brought home a calendar with all the details.

Here are the days for next week:

- Friday, May 17 - **M**, Monochrome Day
- Monday, May 20 - **N**, Visit the grade you will be in **NEXT** year.
- Tuesday, May 21 - **O**, Out of Uniform Day
- Wednesday, May 22 - **P**, Pick where you sit Day
- Thursday, May 23 - **Q**, 4th Quarter. Dress like your favorite sports team!



HAPPY HOUR FIT FUNDRAISER

Everyone is invited to join us on **Thursday, May 30th** at Cowboy Jacks in Apple Valley for our Happy Hour FIT Fundraiser! Join us for a fun night of live music, appetizers, and competition!

- **4:30 pm** - Happy Hour & silent auction begin
- **6:00 pm** - Live auction & raffle begin
- Live music performed throughout the evening by FIT Academy staff.
- \$15 to preregister, \$20 at the door

Childcare will be provide at FIT Academy for \$15 per family from 4:15-6:45 pm.

Please invite friends and family to join us for this fun event as we work to raise money for our wonderful school!

[PRE-REGISTER FOR EVENT](#)

[REQUEST CHILDCARE](#)

[DONATE NOW!](#)



SPRING FLING

4th and 5th as well as Middle Schoolers were able to enjoy a night of music, dancing and fun! A big shout out and thank you to everyone who was able to make this night special for all!



FIT K-5 FAMILY PICNIC

Wednesday, June 5th

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

On the field across from the school for K-5 students and their families.

[View PDF for more details!](#)



PROFILE OF THE WEEK

Taylor Elasky, 2nd Grade Teacher

Mrs. Taylor Elasky, one of our 2nd grade teachers, graduated from UW-Stout with a degree in Early Childhood Education. She grew up in Prior Lake, MN, and moved back after finishing college.

She shared this fun story from her time as a teacher at FIT! "I was hired as a Kindergarten teacher the first year FIT opened. I taught Kindergarten, 2nd grade and 3rd grade in my 7 years here. A fun fact about this is I got to loop from 2nd to 3rd grade with some students I had in Kindergarten my first year here! So some students at FIT had me for 3 years as a teacher! I told them their time with me had come to an end for good since I am only licensed to teach up to 3rd grade!"

Mrs. Elasky says, "I love building relationships with students and families here. I appreciate that many of them check in with me years after I have had them. So many of my former families will stop in and say hi during open houses and conferences, and I love that they still think of me! I also really enjoy seeing progress made throughout the school year. There is a really big jump that happens in 2nd grade so seeing them able to read chapter books and multiply when they leave 2nd grade is such a huge success to their hard work throughout the year."

At UW-Stout, Mrs. Elasky played college softball and now coaches softball at Prior Lake as an Assistant Varsity Coach. She has a very fun and cute 2 year old, Easton, who loves to be on the go. She and her husband love to travel, especially on cruises or to somewhere warm! She loves MN sports and attending all Minnesota sporting events! And she loves to read on her Kindle!

Thank you, Mrs. Elasky, for how you invest in your students each day!

TARGETED SERVICES SUMMER SCHOOL

You should have received an email, if your child has been invited to this special program that provides extra education support during the summer to students who may need it. Please respond to that



email if you are interested in signing up.

Offered 2 weeks during the summer:

- June 17-20, 8-2 pm (No School Wed. June 19)
- June 24-27, 8-2 pm



2024 YEARBOOK ORDERS

2024 Yearbooks are on sale now! This is the biggest FIT yearbook ever...30 pages more than last year!

Pre-order by May 10 to receive by the end of the school year:

- \$40 for cash/check
- \$43 for credit/debit



DIGITAL HEALTH FORMS

As we prepare for next school year, we need your help with updating your student's most current health information. Please click the button and complete this form at your earliest convenience.

If your student has a health condition or plans to take medication during the school day, we need updated doctor's orders/action plans and forms for next year.

FILL OUT
HEALTH
FORMS FOR
NEXT YEAR!



LEWIS SPORTS FOUNDATION FIELD DAY TESTING

Last week, during field day we had a special guest come and put the 5/6th grade classes through the Cross Skills Challenge.

This is run by Leo Lewis, who was a former Vikings player; and he has his own Leo Lewis Foundation.

The Cross Skills Challenge is a fun competition of physical activities and sports skills. The students participated in the 300 meter run, shuttle run, baseball throw, 2 min row machine, free throw shooting, and medicine ball throws.



SUMMER SPORTS CAMP

Tigers Basketball Camp

June 17-20 (Grades 3 & 4), 9:00-10:30am

June 24-27 (Grades 5 & 6), 9:00-10:30am

Tigers Volleyball Camp

REGISTER
FOR
BASKETBALL
CAMP



July 18-21 (Grades 7-12), 8-9:30am
July 18-21 (Grades 5 & 6), 9:45-11:15am

REGISTER
FOR
VOLLEYBALL
CAMP



SWEATSHIRT REPLACEMENT & UNIFORM REMINDER

We have noticed that the logos on the navy sweatshirts and t-shirts are rapidly fading. Schoolbelles has agreed to replace these. If your student's sweatshirt is new as of this year and fading, please let Jen know at jiten@fitacademymn.org. She will facilitate getting you a new one!

Please remind your students that they are expected to be in uniform at all times. Many students cover up their uniforms with other sweatshirts during and between classes. These non-school-approved sweatshirts will be confiscated moving forward.



LUNCH VOLUNTEERS!

We would love for you to volunteer in our lunch room! It's a fun way to connect with your kids and other students. You will help students open milk and lunch items as well as clean the tables after each lunch period. Click to sign up!

SIGN UP TO
VOLUNTEER



HEALTH REMINDER

We want to remind parents to keep your children home from school when they are ill. As a refresher, **school policy requires students to stay at home if they have had a fever or vomitted in the last 24 hours.**



AFTER-SCHOOL CARE

We offer after-school care again this year from 2:45 pm to 5:00 pm. Open to students in grades K-5. You must enroll by Wednesday, if you plan to use after school care the following week. If you have questions, please email Jen Iten at jiten@fitacademymn.org.

REGISTRATION FORM

Would you considered leaving our school a review? Your perspective could be helpful in leading other families to our school. Just click above!



We want to invite everyone to join our 2

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