

# Fleming County Schools Flemingsburg Elementary School



## FES Friday Focus



March 23, 2018

### Quote of the Week

"You've got to think about the 'big things' while you're doing small things, so that all the small things go in the right direction." –Alvin Toffler

### Happy Birthday

No Birthdays this Week

### Weekly Events

Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Lesson Plans due in Google Drive or One Drive by 6 pm Sunday</li> <li>-Fifth Grade Teachers have late run dismissal duty</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Library Collaboration Day</li> <li>-Benchmark Reading!</li> <li>-No Special Classes Today</li> <li>-Fifth Grade Teachers have late run dismissal duty</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Benchmark Math!</li> <li>-No Special Classes Today</li> <li>-Kevin @ NISL</li> <li>-Preschool Spring Picture Day</li> <li>-Fifth Grade Teachers have late run dismissal duty</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-STLP Competition in Lexington (J Plank, L Price &amp; T Hunt out today)</li> <li>-KY Farm Bureau visiting 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Classrooms Today</li> <li>-Fifth Grade Teachers have late run dismissal duty</li> <li>-Whatever It Takes Book Club Meeting in Library 3:45</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Following Tuesday's Special Class Schedule</li> <li>-Library Collaboration Day</li> <li>-Fifth Grade Teachers have late run dismissal duty</li> </ul>

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### Upcoming Events

- FCS Spring Break- April 1-8, 2018
- Kindergarten Registration- April 10, 2018 @ Bowling Alley
- FES SBDM Meeting- April 10, 2018 @ 5:00 in FES Library
- March Character Trait Assemblies & SOS- April 16, 2018
- FES Parent Cohort Meeting- April 16, 2018 @ 5:00 in FES Library
- FCS New Teacher Induction Meeting-April 16, 2018
- FES Spring Data Night- MOVED TO APRIL 25, 2018- We will have benchmark III data and should also be able to send home midterms that night
- Bobcat Paw Extra Recess- April 26, 2018 for Primary and April 27, 2018 for Intermediate @ 2:25

### Reminders

- Please see Kevin if you need assistance with copies or printing from your computer
- Homeroom teachers, please be in your classrooms by the 7:30 bell. An adult needs to be with students at all times when students are in a classroom.

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Message from Kristen

“You’ve got to think about the ‘big things’ while you’re doing small things, so that all the small things go in the right direction.” –Alvin Toffler

Our students probably know the closing statements of our morning and afternoon announcements by heart. While it seems redundant, it’s important that we are constantly reminded of our vision. Keeping the end in mind allows us to remember that whatever we do on a particular day should contribute to the vision we created for our school.

This week, kindergarten students worked closely with their teachers to finish their final rounds of benchmark assessments. Our remaining students and homerooms across the school set goals for the upcoming benchmark assessments. Some grade levels planned rigorous review activities. Some grade levels rotated students through stations to practice various skills they’d learned throughout the year. The energy and effort put forth into these activities was very worthwhile. However our week was spent, we must make sure that all of our instructional time is spent in a way that adds value to our vision statement.

In teaching, we have control over what happens in our classrooms. How wonderful it is that we get to create our own designs of effective instruction! We don’t need to be stifled by past habits or circumstances, but must always be thinking strategically about how our plans and actions will bring our vision to life.

It’s crucial that we don’t allow ourselves to get caught up “in the thick of things.” We cannot allow ourselves to become buried under layers of immediate concerns and outward situations. We have to stay focused on our vision. In any situation or with any decision at school, an important question to ask ourselves is, “Does this situation/decision have an impact on our vision?” If the answer is yes, spend valuable time working through it and realize you are focusing on what truly matters! Some situations can drain us of all of our energy if we let them. We must not expend time, energy and effort on things that do not positively impact our vision! We must be cognizant of where we spend our time!

The final days before spring break will be jam-packed with benchmark testing and learning. I can’t wait to see how we keep our vision at the forefront of our mind in the week ahead!

Enjoy your weekend,  
Kristen