

Principally Speaking

We're All in This Together

Houston, We Have a Problem!

April 13, 1970...

210,000 miles from Earth...

55 elapsed hours...

You guessed it!



The Apollo 13 Mission to the Moon had to be aborted because an oxygen tank in the service module exploded, disabling its electrical and life-support system.

Actually, the words spoken by the astronauts that fateful day were "Houston, we've had a problem," even though it has been often quoted as "we have a problem." That tidbit of knowledge comes to you free of charge today. 😊

If you had to pick one trait you wish your children would develop throughout their growing up years, which one would you choose? **Editorial Note:** I think we would all agree that, first and foremost, we want our children to develop into kind human beings, so for our purposes here, let's put that trait aside.

So, which trait (besides being kind) would you choose?

Would you choose hard working? Curious? Maybe diligent? Communicative? How about creative? The list of traits to choose from is endless!

I believe I would choose a trait which is required in some fashion every day. Sometimes we need it in big measure; other times we need it in small measure. Sometimes we need it at home; sometimes we need it at work. Sometimes we need to employ it alone; sometimes we need to

employ it with others. And one very fateful day some 55 years ago, it was needed to return 3 American astronauts safely to Earth.

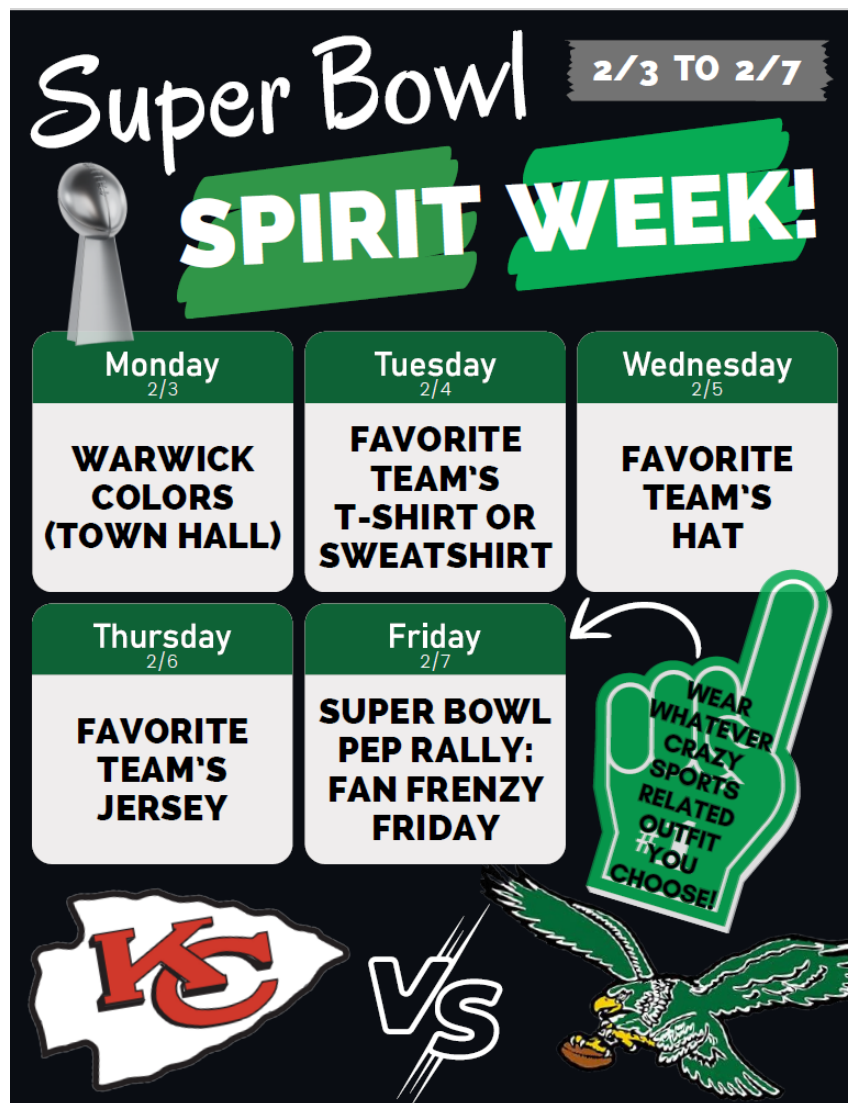
The trait to which I refer is problem-solving.

Reflect on your life over the past week. How many problems (big or small) have you needed to solve? For me the list is endless.

This month at Warwick we will focus your kids on being problem solvers, rather than problem admirers. We think it's a skill that will come in handy.

Sincerely,

Mr. Finger



Mr. Finger
Principal

