

The Strohfus Star

Mrs. Strohfus 2nd Grade Newsletter - 12/01/11

Join Us for Literacy Night!

Upcoming Dates

Dec. 7th @6:00pm
Community Forum
(HGT Model)

Dec. 8th
Literacy Night & Book
Fair

December 19th -
January 3rd
Winter Break
NO SCHOOL



Please visit our classroom website! You can access school year calendars, lunch menus, newsletters, and most other important documents there.
Visit: <http://msstrohfus.weebly.com/>

Thank you

Thank you to Krissi Newman. She has been volunteering on Mondays during reading time!

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Us

In Science, we didn't just read about "doing technology," we worked in our science teams to "do technology." We solved an open-ended problem - the fire alarm is broken but you have to alert your class to evacuate the building because of a fire. We identified a problem, got ideas to solve the problem, designed a solution, carried out the solution, evaluated the solution, and shared the results with our class. Ask your child about his/her team's solution.

*****Literacy Night*****

On Literacy Night, each 2nd grade classroom will be hosting an event. Mrs. Strohfus and Ms. Reed will be hosting an event together with Mr. McCrea's 4th grade class.

Spelling: Next week's spelling words are printed on the back to save paper.

Math: As we finish Unit 4, we're working on strategies to help us add 2-digit numbers. When we move on to Unit 5 next week, we will be working on line segments, parallel lines, polygons, and 3-dimensional shapes.

Writing: In writing, we are beginning to write stories of our own. We are writing stories that follow a familiar plot. This week we reread Honk and we are writing stories that follow the Honk plot. Coming next...Next week we will read The Secret Shortcut and use it as our familiar plot.

Reading: In reading, we are continuing our work with summary.

Science: We are very excited by our work with Sound! We're using our senses to observe sound systems as they make sound. We're asking the questions - What do I see moving? What do I feel? What do I hear?

*****Please Help!!!*****

Please send used or new holiday cards for a project we will be working on in December. If you have old cards you received and are willing to donate to the cause or you would like to purchase an inexpensive box of cards to donate, it would be greatly appreciated!

Please contact me with any questions at michelle_strohfus@dpsk12.org.

Week 17 Spelling

Spelling List: Homophones

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Math Question:

Is a circle a polygon?

No, because it doesn't have straight sides and it doesn't have angles.

Our next **Spelling Test** will be on **Friday, December 9, 2010**. Please help your child review these words with the long o patterns. I've attached homework to help you with this review. We will be working on them in class, too. All of these words will be on the test. Thanks for your help!

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Specials Schedule: Below is the schedule that our class will follow next week - December 5th - December 9th.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5	6	7	8	9
P.E.	P.E.	P.E.	Library	Library



Please remember to have your child **wear gym shoes** on the days he/she has **PE**. Students **MUST** wear these shoes all day. We **DON'T** have time to change shoes!!

