

THE STROHFUS STAR

Mrs. Strohfus' 2nd Grade Newsletter - 1/13/12

We have a Kindness Box !

Upcoming Dates

January 16th:

NO SCHOOL!

February 9th:

Pajama Day

February 10th

Valentine's Dance

February 15th and 16th

Spring Conferences

More Information Later!

February 25th

Ed Fest-A Great Time!

Mark your calendars!



We are writing about how we are kind to each other and putting it in our Kindness Box. On Friday, I share these good deeds with the class.

REMINDERS

Please check your child's homework before he/she returns it.

Homework is home learning that reinforces skills learned at school.

Therefore, it would be greatly appreciated if you would help monitor that learning at home.

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

Math: We are working on counting dots in an array to lay the foundation for multiplication later, creating equal-size groupings (division), and using geoboards to create arrays. We will be counting the total number of objects in several groups and making arrays to represent equal groups. We will also be using various strategies to solve equal groups number stories.

Reading: We read Officer Buckle and Gloria during our reading flooding time. This week we have been working on Drawing Conclusions. We continue to touch on all of the strategies we have learned so far this year periodically. **End of Year Reading Assessments** will arrive more quickly than we realize! Please take some extra time over the next few months to read with your child and work with them to retell, summarize and recall important information from the story. We cannot survive without parent help! Thank you for all that you do!

Writing: It's GREAT! We are working with the story Officer Buckle and Gloria during our writing time as well. This week we are practicing retell and plot summary. Ask your child about **story subtraction**!

Science: We've observed how "hitting" starts the "vibration" that makes a sound with our tuning fork. Soon, I will be sending home information about inventing an instrument at home to share with the class. Reading the Magic School Bus book, Inside the Haunted House, could give you some ideas.

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

Week 20 Spelling List: Sounds of c and g

cot crash Review

face place goat

goal gone green

gym brag

city nice Challenge

page circus

plug once

Our **Spelling Test** will be on **Friday, January 20, 2012**. Please help your child review the 12 words with the sounds of “c” and “g” in them. I’ve attached homework to help you with this review. We will be working on them in class, too.

Specials Schedule

Below is the schedule that our class will follow **January 17th through January 20th**.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
NO SCHOOL	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!!

