## The Strohfus Star

## Mrs. Strohfus 2nd Grade Newsletter - 9/29/11

# Picture Day is Coming 

## Upcoming Dates <br> Sept. $30^{\text {th }}$ and October $3^{\text {rd }}$ <br> Depending on Homeroom Hearing and Vision Screening is coming up! October $7^{\text {th }}$ <br> Science Assembly <br> Box Tops are due by October $14^{\text {th }}$ <br> PICTURE DAY!

Please send Box Tops! We will have a prize for the top boy and top girl, who turn in the most Box Tops.

## October 22 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$

Fall Festival
Volunteers are needed!


Picture Day is coming soon!
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:

Will's mom, Nicole Bauman helped out in ART on Monday this week. The class spent time drawing in the garden. It was a beautiful day for spending time outside. Thank you so much for volunteering your time! This makes such a difference in your child's education, as well as his/her life!

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

Math: We began Unit 2 this week. We are talking about Addition Number Stories (for example: 5 children are skating. 8 children are playing ball. How many children in all?) Also, we'll work on +0 and +1 addition facts (for example: $2+0=2$ and $5+1=6)$ along with doubles facts $(1+1=2,2+2=4,3+3=6$, up to $10+10=20)$. Looking ahead, we will talk about subtraction, fact families $(7+5=12,5+7=12,12-7=5,12-5=7)$, and weights, scales, and equal groups to set the stage for division later in the year.

Writing: We are continuing our work with "personal narratives" this week!
Reading: During Reading Group Time, your child is reading independently for 20 minutes each day. The books he/she is reading are leveled using a computer program called Accelerated Reader (AR). After your child completes a book, he/she takes a computer-based quiz on the book. You'll begin to see reports in your child's Thursday Folders about his/her quiz results.

Science: Our beans have grown into plants. We set up a fair test to allow us to observe what plants need to survive. We have also made predictions as to the outcome of our experiment.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Second Grade will sponsor the Water Balloon Toss again this year at the Fall Festival.
Volunteers are needed to fill up water balloons. Catch me at dismissal time or e-mail me at michelle strohfus@dpsk12.org for more information. Also, we need at least 5 families to bring a large bag of candy; this candy will be used as prizes.

Last year, we made almost $\$ 300$ that was used to pay for field trips, in-class programs, supplies, and class celebrations.
Please contact me with any questions at michelle_strohfus@dpsk12.org.

## Week 8 Spelling <br> Spelling List: Final Double Consonants

doll
full
dress
spell
fell
add
hill
class
pull
kiss
spill
mess

Our Spelling Test will be on Friday, October 7, 2011. Please help your child review the 12 words with consonant clusters. I've attached homework to help you with this review. We will be working on them in class, too. Thanks for your help.

Specials Schedule: Below is the schedule that our class will follow next week - October $3^{\text {rd }}-$ October $7^{\text {th }}$.

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| P.E. | P.E. | P.E. | Library | Library |

Please remember to have your child wear gym shoes We DON'T have time to change shoes!!

