The Strohfus Star

Ms. Strohfus' 2nd Grade Newsletter - 12/8/11

Literacy Night is Tonight!

Upcoming Dates

Winter Break

Dec. 19th through Jan. 3rd

<u>Jan.</u> 1st Happy New Year

<u>Jan. 4th</u> Return to School

Jan 12th PTA at 6:00



Join us for the Book Fair, <u>The Polar Express</u> reading, and fun activities in your Reading Group classroom!

Reminders

December Reading Logs

Don't forget to turn in your December Reading Logs when you return from Winter Break.

AND

Please write your name on all pages of your homework!

<u>Skills</u>: We are working on a review of basic words from Unit 13 through Unit 17. I've attached homework to help with this review.

<u>Reading</u>: This week we finished reading about how good readers are able to identify problems and how characters are able to solve the problems. We also made great predictions and were able to share them with partners.

<u>Writing</u>: This week we wrote stories that follow <u>The Secret Shortcut</u> and we'll use it to write stories about a time when we made preposterous excuses.

<u>Math</u>: We continue to explore polygons (shapes with sides, vertices, and angles) along with 3-dimensional shapes, such as rectangular prisms and cones). Ask your child how many angles does a quadrangle have?

<u>Science</u>: This week we finished recognizing characteristic of motion (vibration) on simple, carefully selected sound systems. Students also explained their good thinking of the sound being produced.

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

Spelling List: Review (Units 13-17)

Our last Spelling Test in 2011 will be on Friday, December 16,

2011. Please help your child review these words. I've attached homework to help you with this review. We will be working on them in class, too. <u>All</u> of these words will be on the test. The Review and Challenge Words are optional. If students want to try these, they can. It is not required. Thanks for your help.

Unit 13	<u>Unit 15</u>	<u>Unit 17</u>	
pay	own	meet	
train	float	meat	
whale	both	week	
away	know	weak	
they	do	too	
great	goes	two	
<u>Unit 14</u>	<u>Unit 16</u>	Challenge words 13-7	
<u>Unit 14</u> each	<u>Unit 16</u> light	<u>Challenge words 13-7</u> raisin	
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each	light	raisin	
each clean	light find	raisin between	
each clean teeth	light find high	raisin between ocean	

Specials Schedule:

Below is the schedule that our class will follow December 12th through December 16th.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Music	Music	Music	Music	Music



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

