

# Read All About It!

Ms. Reed & Ms. Earnest's 2nd Grade Newsletter  
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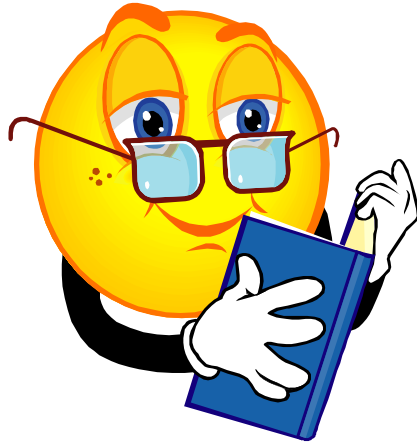
## Join Us for Literacy Night!

### Upcoming Dates

Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> @6:00pm  
Community Forum  
(HGT Model)

Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30pm  
Literacy Night & Book  
Fair

Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> - Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Winter Break  
NO SCHOOL



Join us for a night  
of holiday fun!

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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 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classroom will be hosting an event. Mrs. Strohfus and Ms. Reed will be hosting an event together with Mr. McCrea's 4<sup>th</sup> 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:** We are beginning to write stories of our own based on a familiar plot. This week we reread Honk! and we wrote stories that follow the Honk! plot. Coming next...we'll read The Secret Shortcut and we'll use it to write stories about a time when we made preposterous excuses.

**Reading:** In reading, we continued our work on summaries. We read a book about a class visit to a firehouse. Our summaries included 2 important facts from each section.

**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!!!\*\*\*\*\*

If 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 questions at [Carol\\_Reed@dpsk12.org](mailto:Carol_Reed@dpsk12.org)

Please contact me with any questions at [michelle\\_strohfus@dpsk12.org](mailto:michelle_strohfus@dpsk12.org).

**Spelling List:** Homophones

meet                      tale                      Review

meat                      be                      to

week                      bee                      see

weak                      too

road                      two                      Challenge

rode                      threw

tail                      through

**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, 2011**. 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 Art	6 Art	7 Art	8 Art	9 Art