

**Strode Station
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Strode Station Elementary Parent Memo

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SBDM Committees

The SBDM has activated the following committees: Climate, Discipline/PBIS, School Improvement, Safety, Technology, Budget, Textbook, Curriculum. If you are interested in serving on one of these committees please notify Ms. Powell. All committee meetings are listed in the Winchester Sun.

Reminders:

- All visitors must register in the office and wear a visitor sticker prior to entering the hallways. This is for the safety of all students.
- There will be a \$25 charge for all NSF checks. Non-payment of NSF checks will be prosecuted.
- Lunch charges must be paid promptly. Notices are sent out each week. Alternate lunches will be given to children with excessive charges.

Welcome To Strode Station

859-745-3094

Please call the Attendance Line number when your child will be absent from school. You may request homework that will be available after 3:00. The line is available from 4:00 PM to 8:00 AM.

SCHOOL NEWS

Strode Station has received our NCLB and KCCT results back for the spring 2009 testing. We met 12 of 13 goals. We fell short and did not meet our goal for Reading with students with disabilities. The teachers will further disaggregate the data from the KCCT on Oct. 15 and complete a review of the programs used in our instruction.

An additional 30 min. of reading instruction has been added for the students with special needs to increase the reading level of

each student. We utilize a variety of reading instructional materials during reading instruction. Literacy is a focus for 2.5 hours each day. Programs utilized include the Clark County Literacy skills, Treasures, Triumphs, READ 180, Reading Mastery, and Great Leaps.

The MAP testing has been completed and small groups of at risk students will begin receiving additional instruction in Reading and Math.

The Music Dept. Needs Help
The music department is in need of flashlights and batteries? Mrs. Wilson needs at least 30. Thank you.

Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports

We have begun a positive approach to student discipline. Children are taught expectations in all areas of the school. When an

infraction occurs, children are retaught the expected behavior. The Strode Station Expectations are:

- **Stay Safe**— Hands and feet to self—Use an appropriate voice level
- **Show Respect**—Follow directions—Use good manners— Treat others as you would like to be treated
- **Engage in Learning**—Be prepared for class—Stay focused

Trike-A-Thon

The kindergarten classes participated in a Trike-A-Thon to raise money for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. The children learned about bicycle safety as well as raising \$1285 for St. Jude's Hospital. Thank you to everyone who participated and supported this event.



SBDM Council News

The SBDM Council is the decision making organization for the school. Parent participation is needed for each SBDM committee. All committee meetings will be noted in the Winchester Sun Calendar. Please join us.

The next SBDM meeting will be a special called meeting October 8, 2009 at 5:00. If you would like to receive an agenda or address the

council you must call the school 24 hours in advance.

The 09-10 parent representatives are Robert Abner and Vickie LeMaster.

Teacher representatives are Anitria Coston, Jackie Estes, Jerry Sipes.



School Start Time

The school start time is 7:40. The children must be in their class at that time. If your child is to eat breakfast he/she must arrive by 7:10. This will allow adequate time to eat.

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We are on the web!

[http://ilearn.clarkschools.net/
web/StrodeStation](http://ilearn.clarkschools.net/web/StrodeStation)



E-Mail Club Available

If you would like to receive a copy of the Parent Memo via e-mail please notify Ms. Powell—cynthia.powell@clark.kyschools.us

October/November

This is the rotation calendar for our Related Arts (Computer, Library, PE, Music, Art). We no longer have a Monday—Friday rotation. We are using on a 1-2-3-4-5 rotation. Your child's teacher will be sending home a newsletter that states what the number is for each of the Related Arts classes. Each month the Parent

Memo will have the calendar for the following month.

When there is a snow day the number for the classes will automatically move to the next school day.

Change in Dismissal Procedure

Notify your child's teacher in writing if there is to be a change in the normal dismissal procedure. **For security reasons we cannot do this over the phone.** Anyone picking up a child must be on the Permission to Pick-up Sheet. We ID all persons not known to school officials.

M	T	W	Th	F
5 5	6 1	7 2	8 3	9 4
12 5	13 1	14 2	15	16
19	20 3	21 4	22 5	23 1
26 2	27 3	28 4	29 5	30 1
Nov. 2 2	Nov. 3 3	Nov. 4 4	Nov. 5 5	Nov. 6 1

Parking Lot Construction

Construction had begun on the parking lot and bus circle renovation project. The construction should not interfere with school traffic. It may impact a few parking spaces and the handicap drop off ramp. **Please park only in marked parking spaces.** This new road will be used by bus traffic, and should help eliminate some traffic issues we have in the afternoon.

Important Dates to Remember

October and November Dates

- Oct. 3—MAP testing window ends
- Oct. 8—SBDM—5:00
PTO—6:00
- Oct. 15—Data Disaggregation Day for teachers—
no school for students
- Oct. 16—19—Fall Break—no school
- Oct. 20—Fall Picture Make-up Day
- Oct. 26— Nov. 13- Book Fair
- Nov. 5—Title I Open House and Book Fair Family
Night— 5:30—7:00
- Nov. 7—Book Fair Morning 9:00—12:00
- Nov. 11—Veteran's Day Celebration
- Nov. 20—Fluoride Varnish
- Nov. 25—27—Thanksgiving Break

H1N1 Health Update - Steps taken to keep students healthy

- Hands are washed often
- Students reminded to cough into sleeve, not hands
- Students and staff that are sick are sent home
- Classrooms, common areas, door knobs, etc. cleaned and sprayed with Re-Juv-Nal a disinfectant daily

We know you value the academic time for your child as much as we do. To protect the academic time for each classroom we do not transfer calls to the classrooms between 7:40 and 2:40. We will gladly take a message and have the teacher return your call. This protects the instructional time, as well as, confidentiality. The teachers are willing to schedule conferences before school, during planning time, and after school. If you have any concerns contact your child's teacher for a conference.

FRC News

Clark County FRC's will have numerous parenting classes for our Clark Co. parents.

The following Parenting Classes are available:

- Oct 13 6-7 pm @ Clark County Ext. office Topic: Drugs in Clark County
- Nov 12 6-7 pm @ Clark County Ext. office Topic: Child Development and Resources
- Dec.1st 6-7 pm @ Clark County Ext. office Topic: Financial I
- Dec. 3rd 6-7 pm @ Clark County Ext. office Topic: Financial II

Scholarships and the Christmas Assistance Program are available. In order to participate, you must attend a school function and one of our scheduled parenting classes.

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