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Strode Station Elementary Parent Memo

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Eating Lunch with your child

If you plan to eat lunch with your child please send a note or call the school in advance. This helps the cafeteria staff plan for the proper number of meals served each day. The SBDM made a decision for social and reasons of confidentiality, when you eat with your child, the other students should remain at their assigned tables.

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

The beginning of school has begun very smoothly. The doors open at 7:00 for car and bus riders. At that time all 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students go to the cafeteria for breakfast. They are dismissed to go to the classrooms at 7:20. All 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students who eat breakfast should be at school no later than 7:10.

The Kindergarten and 1st grade students enter the cafeteria for breakfast at 7:20. They are dismissed to the classrooms at 7:40. The 2nd grade students eat

breakfast from 7:40 to 8:00.

If your child eats breakfast at home and is to not eat breakfast at school, please send a note to your child's teacher.

President Obama's speech

We did not show President Obama's speech live on Monday. Some teachers may choose to show it on Wednesday or Thursday. If you wish for your child to not watch the speech and attend an alternate activity, please send a note back to school with your child.

Principal's Webpage

<http://teach.clarkschools.net/cpowell/>

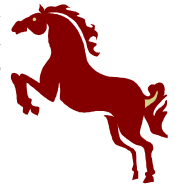
The webpage can be accessed through the above address or through the Strode Station webpage. All the information that you need to know is on Ms. Powell's page. In the event of an

emergency at school and there is not time to send a note with each child, the information will be posted on Ms. Powell's page.

There is a calendar of events and the page is updated on a weekly basis.

Title I News

Beginning of the year literacy testing has been completed for all grades. The teachers are busy teaching the Core Content. We encourage the children to read each night for at least 20 minutes. The Title I Reading Connection Newsletter will be sent home the first Monday of each month. The newsletter offers a great deal of information on reading and your child's education.



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 September 10, 2009 at 3:30. 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

September / October

M	T	W	Th	F
	8 1	9 2	10 3	11 4
14 5	15 1	16 2	17 3	18 4
21 5	22 1	23 2	24 3	25 4
28 5	29 1	30 2	Oct. 1 3	Oct. 2 4
Oct. 5 5	Oct. 6 1	Oct. 7 2	Oct. 8 3	Oct. 9 4

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.

Important Dates to Remember

September and October Dates

- Sept. 8—PTO fundraiser ends
- Sept. 9—Grandparent's Day—K (12:30) and 5th grade (1:00)
- Sept. 10—Grandparent's Day—4th (12:30) and 1st grade (1:00)
SBDM—3:30
PTO—6:00
- Sept. 11—PTO—Wear A Patriotic Shirt Day for \$1—Money is for student celebrations
Grandparents Day—3rd grade (12:30) and 2nd grade (1:00)
- Sept 14—Fall Picture Day
MAP testing window opens (9/14—10/3)- 3rd—5th grades
Mid-term ends
- Sept. 21—Mid-terms go home
- Oct. 3—MAP testing window ends
- Oct. 8—SBDM—3:30
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

Parking Lot Construction

This week begins 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 circle will be used by bus traffic, and should help eliminate some traffic issues we have in the afternoon.

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

Grandparents as Parents Support Group will be held Sept 17, 10:00 a.m. @ Clark Co. Public Library. More information will be communicated @ Strode Station Grandparents Day reception. Clark County FRC's will have numerous parenting classes for our Clark Co. parents.

The following Parenting Classes are available:

- Sept 22 6-7 pm @ Clark County Ext. office Topic: Discipline and Attendance
- 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.

Ros Gay—Strode FRC director—859-745-3932

