



Stratton Sentinel

December 2024

Monthly Newsletter

Letter from the Principal

Dear Stratton Families,

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving Break. The end of the first semester is rapidly approaching! The semester will officially close on December 20th. This is a great time to review your child's progress, grades, and assignments. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your child's teacher to discuss their performance and strategies for continued success.

Our students will soon participate in the Winter Benchmark Testing, which will begin in early December. These assessments are an important tool to measure the academic growth our students have made since the start of the school year. The results help guide our instructional planning and provide valuable insight into areas where additional support may be needed. We encourage students to do their best and approach the tests with confidence. Please help your child prepare by ensuring they get a good night's sleep, eat a healthy breakfast, and come to school ready to learn.

For the months of December and January, we have adjusted the dates and times of our SAC meetings in an attempt to increase participation. The December meeting will be held on the 10th from 4:30 to 5:30 and the January meeting will be held on January 14th from 4:30 to 5:30. Both meetings will be held one hour prior to our scheduled PTA meetings on these months. I hope you are able to join us.

Winter Break will begin on December 20th and extend through January 6th. This is a wonderful time for students and families to relax, recharge, and enjoy the holiday season. We look forward to welcoming our students back on January 7th, ready for a strong start to the new year.

As always, thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education. We look forward to finishing this semester strong and entering the new year with renewed energy and excitement.

Wishing you and your family a peaceful and joyous holiday season!

Warm regards,
Kyle Rudd
Principal

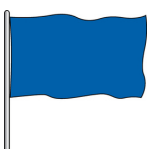
What's In This Month's Issue:

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Stratton's SAC Meeting (School Accountability Committee)

Join Principal Rudd for a conversation. Discuss such topics as school budget, improvement plans, academic achievement, etc.

Tuesday, 10th
4:30-5:30 pm In person and via WebEx



During bad weather, Stratton will display blue flags to signal students to enter the school, hang their backpacks on hooks, and wait quietly in the hallway until the first bell.

School News

Hi "Singing Stallions!" Mr. Walker here.

December is a special month when we recognize and celebrate a variety of winter holidays. In music class, students will explore songs that celebrate holidays and festivals, from Kwanzaa to Christmas. This joyful music will bring us together as a school and community during our "Cocoa & Carols" sing-along on December 9th at MacKenzie Place.

We'll also celebrate this wonderful music together as a school on the last day of the semester. In the music room, students are reminded to embrace their differences and celebrate everything that makes them unique. Together, we create something beautiful through music!

I'm also thrilled to announce our first-ever in-school performance—an "Informance"—for first graders! Parents are invited to Stratton's gym on December 19th at 11:00 AM for a 30-minute vocal showcase featuring their talented first graders.

Happy Holidays, Stratton!

-Mr. Walker

Seasonal Holiday Giving

If you wish to extend a helping hand to a fellow family in need, keep your eyes peeled for the forthcoming Stratton Giving Board! This is a wonderful opportunity to spread some holiday cheer and make a difference in our Stratton community. Let's come together to share kindness and support during this special season!

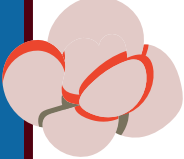


PTA News & Events

Stratton PTA Board

Email- thestrattonpta@outlook.com

President- Zenia Nattiel **Vice President-** Anna Rau
Secretary- Amanda Lockwood **Treasurer-** Rhonda Ball



POPCORN FRIDAY

Friday, December 13th

Please give money to your teacher at the beginning of class. Popcorn will be handed out at the end of the day.



\$1.00
per bag

PTA Meeting

Tuesday, December 10th

**School Gym or
via WebEx**

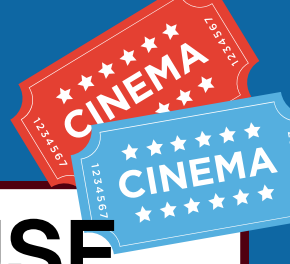
5:30-6:45 pm

Stratton Spirit Wear



Gear up in your
Stratton swag at
strattonspiritwear.com

PTA News & Events



MOVIE NIGHT at ROADHOUSE

Date: December 20th

Movie: Moana 2 **Showtimes:** 3:30 PM & 3:50 PM

We've got something special to kick off your winter break! The PTA has rented out TWO theaters at Roadhouse Theater for a fun-filled family movie night, and YOU'RE invited!

Bring the whole family, grab some dinner, and join your fellow Stratton families for a cozy evening of adventure on the big screen!

Sign-ups will be coming soon! Be sure to reserve your spot—there will be a small fee to cover the event.



Stay tuned for more details!

HOLIDAY SHOP

**Mon, Dec 16th & Tues, Dec 17th
11:00 am - 3:30 pm**



Stratton PTA will be hosting a holiday shop for parents and students to come and purchase gifts for friends or family. Please look for fliers coming soon with more information.

Cash or Shopping Vouchers only





School Events

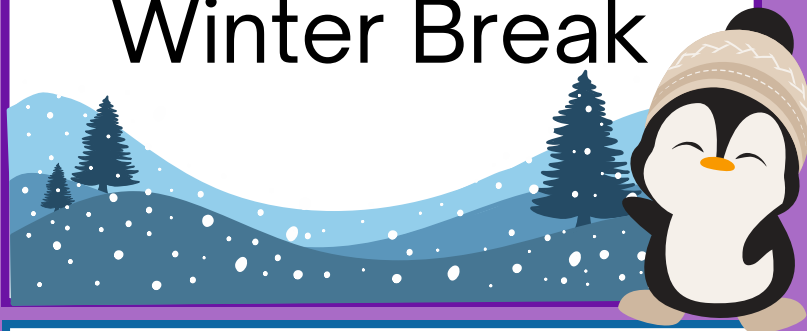
We Are Hiring.....

Crossing Guards- Stratton is hiring crossing guards for the morning and after school to help students safely cross the street.

Special Education EA- Stratton is look for two educational assistants in our Special Education Programs. Assist teachers to meet the needs of children with special needs with academics, behavior modification, personal hygiene and /or physical/emotional conditions.

If you are interested apply on the D11 website [Careers](#).

No School Dec 23rd - Jan 6th Winter Break



Cub Scouts Pack 24 December Meetings

Monday, 2nd 6-7 pm

Monday, 9th 6-7 pm

Monday, 16th 6-7 pm



Carols & Cocoa Thursday, December 9th 5:30-8:00 pm



Join Mr. Walker and spread some holiday cheer. We will meet at Stratton at 5:30 pm and **promptly** walk over to Mackenzie Place to carol for the residents from 6-7 pm. Afterward we will walk back over to Stratton for some hot chocolate and cookies courtesy of our PTA.

***Parents, please note you must accompany your children for this event.**

School Events

Orchestra Concert

Wednesday, December 18th,
5:30pm in the gym

Your Invited! Come join us to hear what our amazing musicians have been learning.

~Students dress in concert attire.



Holiday Sing-A-Long

Friday, Dec 20th
1:15-2:00pm

Students will kick off the winter break at school with a holiday sing-a-long in the gym



Basketball Tryouts

Wednesday & Thursday
December 18th & 19th
3:00-4:00 pm



FIRST GRADE WINTER IN PERFORMANCE

December, 19th 11:00 -13:00 am

1st grade families, join us for a delightful performance featuring your amazing little stars!



School Clubs

Sports Club 1st & 2nd grades

Monday, December
2nd, 9th,
2:50-3:30 pm



Sports Challenge 3rd - 5th grades

Tues & Thurs, December
3rd, 5th, 10th, & 12th
2:50-3:50 pm

Aladdin Musical

Mondays &
Thursdays
2:50-4:00 pm



Battle of the Books

Tuesdays: 2:50-3:50 pm

Thursdays: During Lunch



Yearbook Club

by invitation

Thursdays- During lunch
recess

Also, during
school clubs and
events to take
photos



Student Council

Mondays
2:50-3:50 pm



Health & Wellness

I Matter.



I Matter is a program in Colorado that provides FREE mental health and substance abuse disorder services for all youth in Colorado.

I Matter provides up to six free therapy sessions for youth in Colorado. For more information, please visit IMatterColorado.org or YoImporto.org (in Spanish).

For immediate mental health needs call 988 (Colorado's 24/7 mental health crisis support line)

Wellness Corner Nurse Notes

There is a new car seat law going into effect January 1, 2025. All children up to the age of 9 will need to be in a car seat/booster seat. Click the link below to learn more...

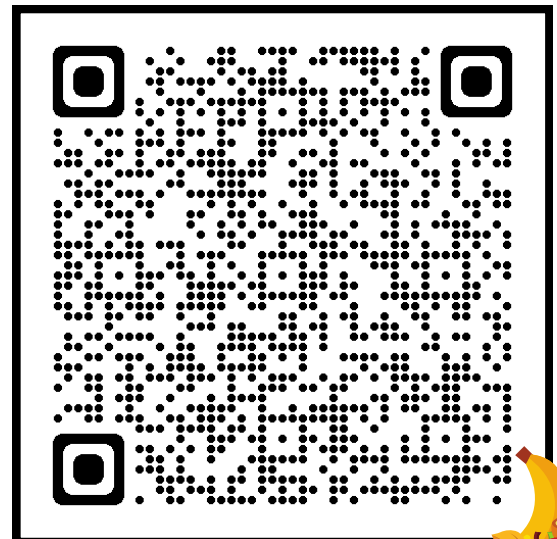
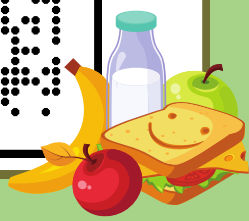
<https://www.codot.gov/safety/carseats/colorado-child-passenger-safety-law-1>



School Breakfast & Lunch Menus

Please scan the QR Code for Breakfast and lunch menus.

Menus are subject to change based on availability.





Attendance & Safety

Attendance Matters

Dear Parents,

We're excited to share that our school is currently at an impressive 94% daily attendance, and we're aiming even higher! Consistent attendance is key to your child's educational progress, and we know that with your support, we can reach our goal of 98%! Let's work together to be #1 in the Central Region and ensure every student has the best opportunity for success. Thank you for helping us make every day count!



Kiss & Go Lane

The Kiss and Go Lane is a pull-through only. Pull to the right lane as far up as you can to drop off or pick up students. Please do so safely and quickly. **DO NOT PARK OR EXIT YOUR VEHICLES.** The left lane is used for exiting the Kiss and Go area. **DO NOT** let students out or pick up while in the left lane.

Employee Parking Area

The employee parking area is strictly reserved for buses, daycare, and Hop, Skip, Drive student pick-up only. Parents are not permitted to use this area for student drop-off or pick-up.



December 2024



Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
1	2 Musical Practice 2:50-4:00 pm Sports Club 1st & 2nd grade 2:50-3:30 pm StuCo 2:50-3:50 pm Cub Scouts Pack 24 meeting 6:00-7:00 pm	3 Sports Challenge 3rd-5th grade 2:50-3:50 pm Battle of the Books 2:50-3:50 pm	4	5 Battle of the Books During lunch Yearbook Club During lunch recess Sports Challenge 3rd-5th grade 2:50-3:50 pm Musical Practice 2:50-4:00 pm	6	7
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PTA Holiday Shop----->

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