



A World of Possibilities!

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School Vision

Reaching all students one student at a time.

Dates To Remember

November 4

Refreshments and
Conversation 5:00 PM

November 7

Progress Reports go Home—
Open House 4:30 –6:00 PM
Money due for sweet potato
fundraiser

November 8

ROAR Assembly
(Wear white shirts and blue bottoms)

November 15

Out of uniform Pictures
w/ Turkey \$5.00

November 21

Butter Braid Bread
Fundraiser begins

November 22

Pick up Sweet Potatoes
5:00-6:00PM
GES Parking Lot

November 11, 25-29

No School

Mission Statement

W. O. Parmer— A
World of Possibilities—
where kids come first
and we partner with
families to develop
enthusiastic learners.

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Principal's Corner



The crisp autumn breeze and beautiful foliage signal the beginning of fall. Everybody enjoys the color of autumn leaves. Have you ever pondered what causes the leaves to turn such brilliant red, yellow, and orange colors? As summer ends and fall begins, the days get shorter. Photosynthesis no longer occurs, thus the trees must rely on food they stored during the summer. The bright green chlorophyll disappears, and we begin to see the yellow and orange colors that were previously covered up by the green chlorophyll. Similarly, we at W. O. Parmer Elementary School strive to identify every child's hidden talents and strengths. We endeavor to help your child reach his/her maximum potential. The combination of many elements produces the beautiful fall colors. Likewise, as we work together, we will help your child succeed. In this newsletter, I have included more information about Stride Academy and myON. I encourage you to move your child away from video games and into electronic learning with Stride Academy and myON. As you prepare for Black Friday and Christmas, please keep educational electronics (Kindle HD, iPad, Smart Phone, Computer, etc.) in the forefront of your mind. I am sending home your child's log in information. Please check yellow folders for this information. If you do not receive this information, please contact me.

Sincerely,
Jacqueline Thornton

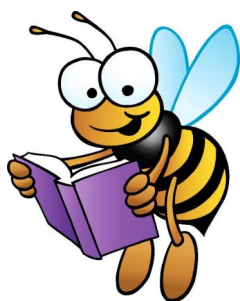
Attendance Matters

Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves. Start building this habit from the first day of school, so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important. Remember, every day missed is a day of instruction missed, a day of classroom interaction with students and teachers that can't be recovered. Good



attendance will help children do well in high school, college, and at work. **Please remember that tardiness and check-outs count as absences from subjects.** When your child is not in school he/she is missing valuable education. Remember, students may be retained because of poor attendance.

myON Reader



Reading is an exercise for the mind. It helps kids calm down and relax, opening doors of new knowledge to enlighten their minds. Kids who read grow up to have better reasoning skills. Reading books also reduces stress, helps you sleep better, improves health, develops your imagination and above all: it is just fun to do.

Reading has a tremendous effect in fueling all aspects of our personality and enhancing our linguistic prowess. In fact, it wouldn't be wrong to say that the entirety of human life depends on it. Whatever we grow up to become in our lives, no matter where we stand, reading has somehow shaped it.

myON Reader provides unlimited access to a broad collection of authentic digital texts that are available for online reading as well as offline reading with free mobile apps. myON generates a list of just-right titles for each student that matches his or her current interests, grade, and Lexile® level. Students can choose titles from their recommended list or from the full 13,000 books available. Students have the power of choice in selecting books to read, and use engaging tools that enhance the digital reading experience. myON Reader includes enhanced digital texts in English and Spanish from respected publishers in a mix of fiction and nonfiction.

Check your child's yellow folder for login information!!!

Stride Academy

Stride Academy is an adaptive learning tutoring program that personalizes learning for every student, based on their needs. Stride Academy uses skill diagnosis to identify each student's strengths and weaknesses in Math, Reading, and Science. Then, the program assigns work to help remediate their skill gaps and gradually introduce them to more challenging content.

The goal is to bring each student up to grade-level proficiency on skills and standards they will be tested on at the end of the year. Within the first session, the program recognizes a student's skill weaknesses and immediately fine-tunes intervention to help get them on pace. Students will receive practice questions and video lessons in area the where they need the most help.



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