



# Week In Review

News and Notes from Miss Strunk's Classroom  
December 5, 2014



## Notes from Miss Strunk:

Book orders have been sent home today. In order to receive the books before Winter Break all orders must be in by December 10th. As always you can order online or through Miss Strunk at school.

The winter party is coming up and we need some help. If you can help with any of the following please email Mrs. Kraujalis at [kraujalis@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kraujalis@sbcglobal.net).

Peanut Free Snack for the Class  
Peanut Free Candy/Treat for the Class  
Drinks for the Class  
Two Additional Parent Helpers

## \_\_\_\_\_ 's Accountable Words:

Ways to practice Accountable Words at home:

Spelling Pyramids  
Rainbow Write  
Say-Spell-Say

## Mark Your Calendars:

December 10 - Book Orders Due  
December 19 - Winter Party  
December 22-January 2 - Winter Break  
January 9 - Gateway Arch Field Trip

## December Birthdays:

Nolan - December 4th

Monday

Music

Tuesday

P.E.

Wednesday

Art

Thursday

P.E.

Friday

Music and  
Library



# A Peek at Our Week

## Math Workshop:

This week students continued learning and practicing strategies for adding 2 digit numbers. Students also learned the importance of utilizing landmark numbers when adding.

Students were able to play "Roll-A-Square" and Dreambox this week.

## Writer's Workshop:

Students read introductions and conclusions of nonfiction books. We then worked on adding our own intros and conclusions to our writing. Finally students chose from their two Expert Book drafts to find the book they want to take through the publishing process. We wrapped up the week by making final adjustments to our Expert Books by revising and editing for non-negotiables.

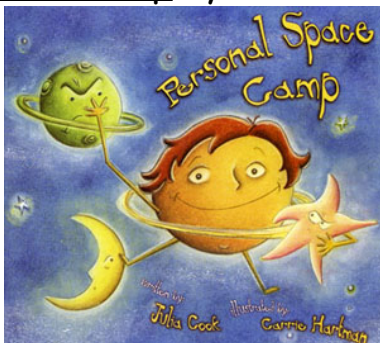
## Social Studies:

This week students studied the Saint Louis Arch, Lewis & Clark and the Pioneers who traveled west. We also studied several famous monuments and memorials including the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial. As we learned about these landmarks the students created a foldable to remember all of the important facts.

## Team Time:

This week we worked on our Thank You package for our DonorsChoose.org project that was funded. The students wrote Thank You letters to our donors.

Mrs. Crupper also joined our class this week for a Guidance Counselor lesson on personal space. The students read Personal Space Camp by Julia Cook.



## Reader's Workshop:

Students practiced using questions to find the most important parts of a nonfiction text (who, what, where, when, how, why). Then we used those questions to form the big idea of the text. Students discussed the difference in main idea and small details. After that students used that information to summarize the text in one sentence.

For more summarizing practice check out this site:

<http://www.studyzone.org/testprep/e3topic.cfm?TopicID=119>

## Read Aloud:

This week we finished Frankenstein Doesn't Start Food Fights.

