

# Stewart Shuttle

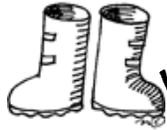
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## THE PRINCIPAL'S POSITION



### Welcome Winter

### Weather

Our playground has been transformed into a winter wonderland after the last round of inclement weather. It is very important that students are prepared for the conditions. IT IS GOING TO BE EXTREMELY COLD THE NEXT WEEK. The following are some of our expectations for students during our winter months:

- We will go outside when the windchill is at 10 degrees or higher.
- Wearing gloves, hats, and winter coats are important in keeping your child safe and warm.
- Students will be allowed to play in the snow if they are wearing snow pants and snow boots.
- If your child must stay in for recess longer than 2 days, a doctor's note is required.

We look forward to a terrific 2014!  
Thank you for your partnership.  
Mr. Miller

## THE GUIDANCE CORNER

During large group guidance lessons this month, we are going to be learning about making mistakes. Our hope is to discuss making mistakes as a way to learn, continue trying, and steps we can take if making mistakes really bothers us.

We would like students to begin thinking of making mistakes not as a negative or bad thing, but more as a learning opportunity. Below are some suggestions for ways you can support your child's development of this important social skill.

- Give your child tasks/jobs, which provide plenty of opportunity for success.
- Encourage your child to keep trying when you see him or her making mistakes and/or getting frustrated when attempting a task.
- Praise your child for his or her efforts even if the task has not been completed "successfully".
- Avoid rushing to your child's rescue and offering to help when he or she makes a mistake. Give your child the chance to work through the task on his or her own before offering your assistance.
- When offering assistance, ask your child to come up with his or her own solutions by asking questions.
- Break large tasks into smaller ones so that your child will not be overwhelmed and will be more likely to experience success.
- Recognize and praise your child when he or she has shown perseverance in the face of mistakes and/or adversity.
- Let your child see you make mistakes. Acknowledge and point out when you make a mistake. Model handling a mistake in a positive fashion by showing perseverance, a good attitude, and effective learning.

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## 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE LEADERSHIP TEAM

### November and December Leaders:

#### Nov. 4 - Nov. 8

Skyler Jenkins	Fernando Ortega
Brandon Roundy	Emma Suchan
Gabby Goodwin	Emery Walton
William Parker	Destiny Godwin
Lana Talleen	Jenna Bose

#### Nov. 11 - Nov. 15

Brennen Westphal	Alec Ulin
Luz Guzman	Bill De La Rosa
Colben Reighard	Jia Acharya
Xzavior Patterson	Lily Schmidt
Madison Hesseltine	Toriana Moore

#### Nov. 18 - Nov. 22

Emma Langstraat	Rylee Libe
Charlotte Soboroff	Justin Banks
Abigail Kleese	Westin Major
Marcus Blakely	Evelyn Leyden
Mikaila Matheson	Luca Smith-Velasco

#### Nov. 25 - Dec. 6

Elizabeth Garcia	Audrey Nissley
Aaron Murray	Giselle Marcelino
Makynna Morgan	Dylan Carpenter
Eddie Rodriguez	Emanuel Raymundo
Eli Arbogast	Remy Messinger

#### Dec. 9 - Dec. 13

DJ Lord	Jalisa Brown
Maritza Diaz	Casen Evans
Noah Greiner	Taylor Bartholomew
Gage Brock	Landon Messer
Amelia Dahl	Chase Greiner

#### Dec. 16 - Dec. 20

Clair Underhill	Fernando Ortega
Sataya Jones	Yulissa Godinez
Maci Williams	Colben Reighard
Destiny Godwin	Cece Murphy
Garrett Herr	Madison Hesseltine

## IMPORTANT DATES IN JANUARY

1-13: Booster Meeting 5:30 PM

1-13: Boxtop Contest Begins (through 2-7)

1-15: No School; Teacher Workday

1-20: No School; Professional Development Day

1-21: Family Fun Night 5:30-7:00

1-29: 1:10 Dismissal; Professional Development

1-30: Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:30-8:00

2-04: Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:30-8:00

## Iowa School Alerts

Would you like to be notified *directly* when classes are cancelled or delayed?

**Sign up for Iowa School Alerts — a FREE e-mail notification service provided by the State of Iowa!**

This school district is a participant in the Iowa School Alerts program, which means you can sign up to receive free e-mail notifications when classes for our district, or a particular school building, are to be closed, dismissed early or started late due to weather or other circumstances.

### How to Sign Up

1. Click on "Sign Up!" in the Main Menu at <https://schoolalerts.iowa.gov>. This will take you to the "Enterprise A&A" screen for the State of Iowa. If you already have an account with the State (say, for another online application), there's no need to create another one.
2. Follow the on-screen instructions to enter your name and e-mail address, and create secret questions and your password. This step involves obtaining a code from an e-mail sent to you to confirm your registration.
3. Once you have created and confirmed your account registration, you will be taken back to the School Alerts site where you can click on "My Subscriptions" to add the school districts/buildings you would like to receive notices for. Once you've selected a school, you are asked to enter the e-mail addresses or cell phone addresses where you would like notifications sent. You can add as many e-mail addresses as you'd like! (Please note that some wireless services providers may charge you for receiving e-mails or text messages. You are responsible for those charges.)

That's it! After signing up you will receive e-mail notifications directly from the school whenever classes are cancelled. You can review your alert settings and all current notifications for the state at any time by visiting the Iowa School Alerts website: <https://schoolalerts.iowa.gov>.