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NEWSLETTER

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Calendar

- December 18, SPIRIT DAY
- December 21- January 4, NO SCHOOL, Winter Break
- January 5, Classes Resume
- January 7, PTSA Meeting, 9am
- January 18, NO SCHOOL
- January 29, SPIRIT DAY
- February 12 & 15, NO SCHOOL
- February 19, Bingo Night
- April 23, Parent Spring Social

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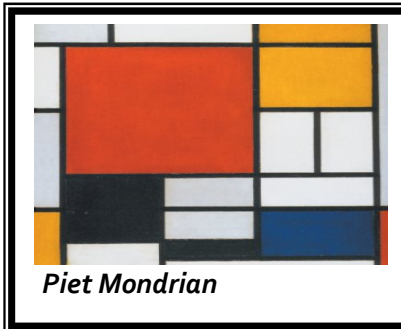
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Community Service News

The Stafford Giving Tree is going strong, and the children in foster care through Clackamas County DHS will love everything that the Stafford kids have donated. Gifts were delivered on Monday the 14th and the last delivery will be after school on Thursday the 17th. There is still time to contribute! Please have all gifts under the tree by end of school on Thursday. Thank you for all of your generosity in 2009 to help support our community service projects- "Our School, Our District, Our County, Our World". A special thank you to Mrs. Kenny's class for all of their work on the Giving Tree.

Thank you so much for your giving heart! If you have any questions or would like to offer additional help with this project please contact Briana Currey at bkcurrey2002@yahoo.com.



Piet Mondrian

Special Thanks to Stafford PTSA for their generous funding of the ART LITERACY PROGRAM. Thank you as well to the volunteers who bring the program to the classrooms. The second project for the school year was very successful!

Art Literacy: Piet Mondrian

Stafford students have completed their second Art Literacy project for this school year. They studied and emulated the work of the great Dutch Abstract Painter, Piet Mondrian. Mondrian helped develop a style of art called Neo-Plasticism that started in the 1910's. It was based on the belief that art should **NOT** be the reproduction of real objects but the expression of the absolutes of life. For Mondrian those absolutes were lines in their simplest form, vertical and horizontal, and color in its simplest forms: primary colors (red, yellow and blue) and non- colors (black, white and gray). The students worked to create unity and balance in their art pieces in the same way Mondrian did, "He sought to create unity from the equivalence of opposites". They attempted to balance color versus non-color, short lines versus long lines, thin lines versus thick lines, and smaller shapes versus larger shapes.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Thank you for submitting your Box Tops. As of December 1st, we have already achieved **30% of our goal** for the 2009-10 school year. Keep up the great work!

Box Tops 4 Education is a very easy way to earn money for our school programs. Here are four ways to earn money for our school:

1. **Clip Box Tops:** Clip Box Tops and send them to school with your child. *For product information, visit the [Box Tops 4 Education](#) website.*
2. **Shop the Marketplace:** *Go to the [Marketplace](#) and Browse for your favorite products. Shop at 120+ online stores. You can earn up to 15% for our school just by using the Marketplace to reach your favorite online stores!*
3. **Shop the Reading Room:** *Go to the [Reading Room](#) and purchase books through Barnes and Noble. You will earn 6% for Stafford!*
4. **Teachers Registry:** *A [Teachers online classroom registry](#) is filled with the learning tools and supplies that a teacher's students need. Any Box Tops supporter can make purchases off their teacher's registry and earn 2% cash back for their school on every purchase.*

For more information about the program, please visit www.boxtops4education.com. Make sure to register as a Box Tops supporter to receive valuable coupons!

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