

Dear Families,

My name is Kelly Arnold and I am so excited to say that I will be your child's second grade teacher next year! I am looking forward to this new adventure ahead and having the wonderful opportunity to work with such awesome students.

This summer I am asking your child to read *Flat Stanley: His Original Adventure!* Who is Flat Stanley, you may ask? He is a special character in a series of children's books written by Jeff Brown. Stanley was a regular boy until one night a bulletin board fell on top of him while he was sleeping. Stanley was unharmed by the bulletin board, except for the fact that his body was flattened! Stanley lives his life as a normal child, except he has certain unusual abilities. He is able to slide underneath doors, fly like a kite, and be shipped in the mail to visit friends and family. Stanley has been all over the world and this is where our project comes into play!



Flat Stanley Summer Reading Project

Directions:

1. Read *Flat Stanley; His Original Adventure!*
2. Decorate Flat Stanley.
3. Take along Flat Stanley on your summer vacation or family outing and bring back pictures of the places Flat Stanley visits. Pictures and postcards are not mandatory; however, I will award extra credit for pictures or postcards included in the project.
4. When Flat Stanley is finished with his travels, please complete the Flat Stanley Reading Project due the second Friday of the new school year.
5. Attached are both the Flat Stanley cutout and the kite cutout needed for the writing piece of this project.
6. On the one side of the kite, students will use each of the 4 sections to describe the main ideas of the story. Each section should only require 3-4 sentences.
 1. Characters
 2. Setting
 3. Plot
 4. Conflict/Resolution.

7. On the other side of the kite, students will glue their Flat Stanley and then decorate the rest of the kite. Some students may choose to add a picture or two from their adventures with Stanley. They may decorate the kite however they like...just remember to add a string/tail so Flat Stanley won't fly away!

Happy travels and happy Summer!