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**February 2023**

Dear Parents,

As you know, we began this month with our new study on “Water”. If you have any empty water bottles, please send it in so that we can use it to make an art mural project with it.

Although, it is a short month, I wanted to take a few minutes of your time, to inform you, of certain activities and dates that you need to keep in mind.

To begin with, our school is having a **Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser**. Your child already received the Gertrude Hawk envelope last week. Please keep in mind that all Gertrude Hawk money and orders are due on Friday, February 24th. Thank you to all who participate in this fundraiser.

Our school is having a **Home-School Connection Project** during the week of February 6th-10th. The theme for this project is “I Can Change the World with Words”. Please follow the directions of the activity and send your child’s sentence strip word back to school on Friday, February, 10th.

Also on February 10th, our school is having “**Pajama Day with your favorite Teddy Bear**” on Friday, February 10th. Please have your child wear their pajamas with their sneakers and bring in a teddy bear. Please, no slippers!

On Tuesday, February 14th, we will be having a **Valentine’s School Dress to Impress Dance** during the day for the students only. The children will also be celebrating the day with a Friendship Fruit Salad at snack. If your child wants to give Valentine's Day cards to classmates, simply write their name in the “FROM” section of each card and leave the “TO” area blank to make it easier for us to hand out the cards. We currently have 6 girls and 6 boys in our class.

Also, this month, our friend Ariadne will be celebrating her 4th birthday on February 27. We would like to wish Ariadne a very happy birthday!!!

We will be ending this month with activities for our “Read Across America” week. You will receive further information about these activities. However, just so that you know: Monday, February 27th, students are asked to wear their **Favorite Color for Eric Carle Day** and on Tuesday, February 28th, we will be listening to Guest Readers reading a **Mo Willems book for Mo Willems Day**.

Just a final reminder... the school will be **CLOSED** on Monday, February 20 for President's Day.

Wishing you a wonderful Valentine's Day and President's Day weekend!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Chita, Ms. Taveras, and Ms. Rosa