CLASSROOM NEWS \$

Focus Question: Investigation 1: "What can we do with boxes?"

Books: <u>Harold and the Purple Crayon</u>, <u>Rosie's Walk</u> **Alphabet Knowledge:** Letter Frequency: s, a, t, i, p

Heggerty (Phonemic Awareness): Week 13

Great 8/Capturing Kids Hearts: "Self-management" (Taking steps towards goals through positive choices.)

Small Group: Patterns, capacity, graduated sizes,

prepositional language, counting, shape identification, categorizing, representing amounts, writing/drawing to answer questions, yogurt fruit dip recipe

Discussion and Shared Writing: What can we do with boxes? Making a plan for our box creations. How can we use this box? Planning an obstacle course.

Centers: Create and follow a plan to build with boxes, engage in dramatic play with boxes found in the home (please send in donations!), decorating boxes, books about boxes, writing words on boxes, exploring a box collection, motor lab, technology time

EVENTS

NOVEMBER

7 VRES Spirit Night Event Texas Roadhouse 3-9 PM

10 Veteran's Day Program 8:30 AM

11 Kendra Scott VRES Spirit Event 12-2 PM @ La Cantera

17 All Pro Dads Meeting 7AM

20-24 Thanksgiving Break (No School)

30 VRES Winter Choir Concert 6:00 PM

Rainbow Rotations

This week we will begin "rainbow rotations," which will allow all students in both classes to rotate through small groups led by our team of six staff members. All staff will work with each child daily, and all children will experience learning centers in each classroom, the kinder "pod" areas, and the motor lab. Three students will join Mrs. Pyle's kindergarten class for enrichment 15-30 minutes each day (dependent upon behavior and age). Please let me know if you have questions!

{ TO-DO }

BOXES: Please continue to send box donations! (We want our classrooms to look like a warehouse by the end of this unit! Ha!) If you come across very large boxes, we would love to have some big enough for the children to climb into!

SCHOLASTIC BOOK Clubs

Scholastic Book Club purchases should be made **online** at: https://clubs.scholastic.com/home using our Class Code: LRC3Z Please let me know if you have any questions!

ATTENDANCE

We are ONE day away from earning our next attendance award! The students will vote on having a popcorn party or a balloon dance party! Let's make it happen!

SPECIAL SHOUT OUTS

Unpacking Award: Megha Megha is a model for her peers in the morning when she unpacks her backpack quickly and quietly.

Awesome Work, Megha!

Ready to Rest Award: Nieko Nieko demonstrates excellent rest time behaviors. He lays quietly and lets his body rest.

Great Job, Nieko!

Awards will be explained and awarded in the upcoming week.

DONATIONS

Updated Amazon wishlist:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist
/ls/12HJHFX0ESZ85?ref =wl share

Thank you to everyone who has donated boxes! Please continue to send in boxes of all shapes, sizes, colors, and purposes!

This Friday we will be making a **SPECIAL SNACK**.

The recipe calls for 8 oz of cream cheese, ½ a cup of vanilla yogurt, and assorted fruit for dipping. (Brown sugar and vanilla extract will also be used, but do not need to be purchased.)

If you would like to donate any of these food items for both classes, we will need a total of:

- (4) 8 oz packages of cream cheese
- (1) large container of vanilla yogurt
- 2-3 fruit trays OR 2-3 containers of various fruits (ex: package of strawberries, package of blueberries, package of melon)

Please send me a message if youintend to donate, so we don't receivetoo much food! =)

Please let me know if your child has a food allergy and requires an alternate special snack.