

Dear Room 11 Parents,

The children have written several opinion pieces. Next, they will write an opinion piece about Martin Luther King, Jr. We started by compiling all of the facts that we learned through reading, dialogues and videos. We made a chart of those facts that were about his work, accomplishments, beliefs, teaching, etc. Last Friday, each student planned their piece. This week, they will write an opinion, two or three reasons or facts to support the opinion, and a closing sentence restating the opinion. I also led the students in a directed drawing of MLK on Friday. They did a fantastic job! Your child's Martin Luther King, Jr. writing and drawing project will be hanging in Rm. 11 by the end of the week!

Global School Play Day is on Wed., Feb. 5. While we plan to get some work accomplished, many classrooms at Park will join in the "play" spirit of the day. My class will be joining Kim Kirley's Kindergartners for a little serious playtime!

Our class will be doing activities to celebrate the **100th Day of School on Fri., Feb. 7**. I will be speaking with the students and posting information about creating a **collection of 100 objects** to bring to class. These should be small things that are found around the house: beans, pasta, stickers, toothpicks, paperclips, etc., that can be mounted on a piece of cardboard. **They will be due by Wed., Feb. 5**, so that we can put them up for the world to see by the 100th Day!

I will send home a class Valentine list this week so that you have plenty of time to support your child to make Valentines for his/her friends. **Please do not send Valentines to school before Wed., Feb. 12**. We won't have our "mailboxes" ready until then!

Thank you!
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Volunteers This Week

W Library 9:55-10:50	Whitney Lynch
TH Art 9:55-10:50 (B Group)	Gabrielle Gaetani

On The Calendar

Mon., Feb. 3	Morning Assembly led by 2nd Grade - wear BLUE to school!
Wed., Feb. 5	Global School Play Day
Fri., Feb. 7	100th Day of School (that we have been here!)
Feb. 18-21	No School - Mid-Winter Break
Mon., Mar. 9	Morning Assembly led by 1st Grade - wear ORANGE to school!
Tue., Apr. 21	KIDDO First Grade Music Performance 8:45-9:45 auditorium
Apr. 6-10	No School - Spring Break

Sight Words: *but, what, all, were, when* (look for these in daily reading)