

Homework

Dear Families,

Today our class read a book called *The Wartville Wizard* by Don Madden. The elderly man in the story was very neat and tidy, but the people in his community were not. He taught the people that they should be proud of their community and showed them that they had a responsibility to care for it too. Ask your child to tell you about how the elderly man got the people to start caring about their community. Talk about ways your family members show they care about the space you share.

Over the next few weeks, we will be finding ways to take action for the common good of our community. We will be learning about different ways we can be philanthropists. A philanthropist is someone who shares time, talent, and/or treasure or takes action for the common good.

Encourage a discussion about taking action for the common good. Have a family discussion about the meaning of the word philanthropist and discuss ways each of you has given of you time, talent, and treasure for others. (such as helping a neighbor, calling a friend to encourage them, or volunteering at school).

After your discussion, have your child create a picture that illustrates a way that he/she or someone in the family is a philanthropist. Help your child label the illustration or write a sentence to explain the illustration. Please send the illustration to school when it is completed.

Wanted: Interesting pieces of junk that you don't need anymore

We are in need of recycled materials for an art project. We are collecting these types of materials: paper, wood, plastic, metal, rubber, and foam. Please make sure these items are safe for student use and handling. We will be sorting and graphing the items as they are brought in each day, so feel free to keep sending items in.

Ideas: juice lids, milk rings and tops, milk jugs, Plastic pieces, rubber bands, packing materials, candy wrappers, pop cans, foam cups, Popsicle sticks, metal washers, toilet paper tubes, and straws

Thanks for your help! When people work together great things can happen!

Sincerely,

