Living History

An Intergenerational Philanthropy Project

Dear Family,

Our class will soon be involved in a philanthropy project. We will be working in pairs to interview and write the living history of our senior friends at a retirement home. This project will involve:

- Sensitivity training by staff from a senior center or retirement home.
- Reading The Remembering Box by Eth Clifford and Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge by Mem Fox.
- Using our time and talents for the common good.
- Making a "remembering box" with partners to give to each senior friend on our first visit.
- Several visits to the senior center or retirement home.
- A visit to the local history museum with our senior friends to relive and relate to our shared local history.
- Writing the biography of our senior friend and our own autobiographies (for the author page). These books will be published in the computer lab.
- Illustrating and assembling our books.
- A Celebration of Living History event where we will present our books to our senior friends.