

K-K News

February 6, 2009

Dear K-K Families:

I know that you will have plenty of reading to do this weekend with progress reports coming home today, so this week's letter should be brief. After reading your child's progress report, please keep the report for your records. There are two items that I need back, however. Please return the yellow envelope in which the report arrived, so that we can reuse it for the June reports. Also, please return the parent comment sheet that is enclosed with the report. I need to receive these signed forms to insure that you received the report. If you wish to comment on the report, or to ask any questions about it, please feel free to record those comments or questions on the form. Please do not feel obligated to write anything beyond your signature on the form, however. I hope you find the reports helpful!

In other news...

- Thanks to Doug Ling for videotaping last week's production of Hill of Fire. If you would like to borrow the DVD, please let me know next week.
- Thanks to Jenny Cavallarano, Lois Lee, Christie Kovacs, Katie Gryska, and Liz Cioci for joining us on our field trip to the hospital yesterday. The children had a wonderful time, and we appreciated the assistance you provided on the trip.
- Next week is another busy week. On [Wednesday night, February 11](#), you are invited to Hunnewell between [6:30 and 8:00](#) to visit the classroom and the rest of the school. It is your child's job to act as tour guide, and we are looking forward to sharing the fruits of their labors with you. While here, please be sure to look at our many Mexico projects; read your child's journal and writing folder; hear him/her read some just right books; try some of our math activities; and visit our specialists.

- On **Thursday, February 12**, we are slated to celebrate our **100th day of kindergarten!** Thanks to Victoria Wolf and Dianna Kanter for volunteering to help us with the kindergarten centers time that day. If you are still interested in volunteering from **10:30-11:30** that day, please let me know next week. Also, we are collecting nonperishable food items next week with a goal of collecting 100 items for the Wellesley Food Pantry. Please send in items, or bring some with you next Wednesday night!
- Finally, next **Friday, February 13**, we will celebrate **Valentine's Day** in K-K. If your child is delivering Valentines, please send them in on Friday morning.
- On a completely different note, if you have been hearing about ELMO at home, we have *not* had a visit from the furry red muppet from Sesame Street. Rather, your children are talking about an exciting piece of technology with which we have been experimenting. The ELMO is a digital projection system, similar to an overhead projector, except that it shows real items, in real color, in real time. It has been a treat to use it to share math games and student work in the classroom. Please watch at the auction for information on ways to support including more of these wonderful tools at Hunnewell!

After the vacation, we will begin our unit on water, start a math unit on geometry, and continue our work on reading, writing and spelling. There will be more on all of that when we return. Until then, know that there will not be a newsletter next week, and that I wish you and your children a wonderful week away. I look forward to seeing you next Wednesday night!

Warmly,

Lynn