

# RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS WEEK

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

From February 13-19, 2006, we will be celebrating Random Acts of Kindness Week. In doing so, we will be joining with hundreds of other schools and communities around the world. This "global-warming" event is 11 years old in some communities and is becoming a household word. What's the attraction? Why are a growing number of individuals and organizations participating each year? Its appeal can no doubt be attributed to its simplicity and to the spirit of hope and goodwill inherent in the week.

In order to become involved all that is needed is a greater awareness of the importance of kindness and a willingness to translate these good intentions into action. Whether it's kindness to oneself, kindness to the Earth, or kindness to others, know that each act, no matter how small, makes a difference and contributes to making our world a better place.

This is the message we will be sharing with our students and we ask for your help at home. Please take some time this week to talk to your child about kindness. Celebrate and focus on their acts of kindness, share your stories of kindness you have given and received. Perhaps you'll come up with your own unique family project for the week. We'd love to hear about it and invite our students to share these good stories at school.

We certainly welcome this week as an opportunity to emphasize the importance of kindness and hope that this awareness will spill over into the 51 weeks of the year. Children believe they can change the world. Let's help to show them that they are absolutely right!

Sincerely,