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Dear Parents of Gold Door,

This week we discussed the essential question “What happens in different kinds of weather?” To explore this question, we read the story Rain which is about wild animals in the plains asking for rain. The Frog and the Locus was about animals asking for rain during a drought, and Cloud Watch was about different types of clouds. While reading these stories, the students gained new vocabulary such as temperature, predict, cleaver, storm, and drought. For writing, the students wrote about how they feel during a rainy day and what they like to do on rainy days. This week we also explored the letter Kk by discussing different words that begin with Kk and reviewing words that end with the /k/ sound.

For Math this week, we wrapped up Chapter 7! During this week we learned how to show and count numbers eighteen and nineteen. To explore these numbers, the students showed the numbers using a tens frame and used the draw a picture math strategy to help solve word problems involving numbers eighteen and nineteen. To end the week, the students completed the Chapter 7 review test and chapter test.

This week for social studies, the students explored how rules are put in place to help people get along. To dive deeper into this big idea, the students were first given a scenario about two children fighting over a toy, and the students were asked to brainstorm ways to solve the problem in the scenario. Next, the students discussed different rules they need to follow at home and at school and were asked to discuss why those rules are put in place and how the rules they follow at home similar and different from the rules they follow at school. This week the students also reviewed what it means to have or show self-control and why it is important.

This week the students also had the opportunity to visit the garden and water the cabbages. The students were amazed by how much our cabbages have grown! We also planted new flowers to surround our cabbage with beautiful colors!

Just a reminder, on Thursday, two flyers were sent home to explain details and events about the 100th day of school and Valentine’s Day! Be sure to read those and feel free to send us a message on Brightwheel if you have any further questions!

Next week we are excited to be welcoming Ms. Jocelyn into Gold Door 2 as Ms. Vanessa is leaving! Ms. Jocelyn is an amazing teacher and she is excited to help the students continue to grow in their academics!

As always, have a fantastic weekend!

Ms. Vanessa and Ms. Adriana