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Hello parents,

This week has gone a lot smoother for our class. We are easing into our schedule.

Our kindness topic for the week is reciprocity. This word means to share kindness with others who have been kind to us. We watched the five minute video of a man who attends Harvard Law School and celebrates the employees in the school. He celebrates the janitors, cafeteria people and sales associates in the stores. He explained that these workers are always doing kind things for the Harvard Law students but often get forgotten. In our class we spoke about people in our lives who always do so much for us that we may forget to thank or show our appreciation. We decided to write a thank you note to Ms. Maria our lunch lady. Everyday she provides healthy snacks and lunch for the whole school, she deserves a big thank you!!

In language arts and reading we continued with week 2 of our start smart. We reviewed the letters c, f, d, h, b, l, and the vowel o, e. We reviewed the beginning, ending, and middle sounds of words. I am encouraging them to write simple words on their own and to sound out the letters they can hear. The sight words we reviewed this week were this, is, my, little, look, where, and here. We worked in partners to write sentences and read small books with our sight words in it. We listened to a story about rainforests and a fictional story called "Jack and the Beanstalk." Next week we will finish our start smart unit.

In math we continued with lessons 1.3 to 1.6. We did problems where we solve and put together using a part-part whole diagram. We also used the same diagram to find out what is missing in the equation. Finally we compared the subtraction equations. Instead of taking away we compare the two drawings to see what's left. Some of the vocabulary words we used were difference, minus, and addend. Next week we complete Chapter 1.

In science we discussed living and non living. We saw videos of a zebra longwing butterfly and a jellyfish. We observed them to see what makes them a living thing. We discussed that a living thing needs to change, grow, eat nutrients, and die. We had a fun experiment using Ziploc bags, a seed, paper towel, and a rock. We planted 12 different seeds and 3 rocks. The point of this activity is to record it for 4 weeks to see which one will grow. We will discuss our findings weekly.

As always we had a fabulous PE class with Ms. Jackie even though it rained. We spoke about our first letter of our name in Spanish class with Mrs. Luz. In music class with Ms. Laura we reviewed the parts of a guitar. We also learned about using our voice as an instrument and doing vocal warm ups.

Have a beautiful weekend,
Ms. Adriana