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Hello Families,

Beautiful books, delightful reading and sharing wonderful moments with our children is what we experienced throughout our Literacy week. Thank you so much for visiting our classroom and spending priceless moments, reading stories and making new memories.



For our letter /Vv/week, we made creative Valentine caterpillars. There were so many layers of learning skills involved in in this activity, including fine motor, sequencing and counting in math, pre-reading skills and early literacy and language skills. Needless to relate, the final result brought the Creative Arts to the surface.



The metamorphic transition is the subject of our new class book: 'From Caterpillar to Butterfly'. Some of the most intricate and detailed illustrations to date, can be found inside.



We decided to do a science project on vegetables for the letter /Vv/. During our morning gathering, we voted on growing carrots to determine how long it would take for them to grow before the **Velveteen Rabbit** could crunch on one! Planting the tiny seeds in cups with soil and watering them daily, introduced the children to daily recording, documentation and the understanding of hypothesis specific to the growth of a carrot. Reading 'The Carrot Seed', by Ruth Krauss, was such a sweet way of introducing planting, resilience and hope. Planting the seeds delivered a hands on experience and illustrating displayed an understanding for the process. Once the carrots are big enough, we will deliver a tasty treat to The Velveteen Rabbit's cousin, Agnes, in Room 104.



#### REMINDERS:

- Next week's letter is /Dd/.
- Chapel is on Wednesday @ 9:15. It is Jesus' Baptism.
- Our **Valentine's Day Party is on Thursday Feb. 14th**. Please have your child's valentine box and cards **ready no later than Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>**. We have 16 children in the class.
- A Sign up Genius has been sent out to the class. Please review and contribute goodies for our little party.

**Thank you for being such a great group of families,**

**Love Ms. Lynne & Ms. Nancy**

**Below is a list of our friend's names for Valentine cards. Writing Valentine's cards is a wonderful, authentic reason to practice our emerging writing skills. Writing all of our friends' names may be too much for some of us. Have your child at least write his/her name on the cards he/she is giving. If your child is up to it have him/her write his/her friends' names as well.**

Maria  
Jet  
Bradley  
Ryan  
Noelle  
Josie  
Mary  
Lyra  
Lillie  
Henry  
Olivia  
Preston  
Aiden  
Lina  
Rowan  
Evan