Dear Parents,

Our class is participating in the Lucky Dog- Humane Education curriculum that teaches kindness, respect, compassion, and responsibility. Research has shown that teaching young children from an early age to participate in community service and empathize with others can greatly reduce the risk of developing bully like characteristics.

This month we are focusing on caring for both pet cats and stray cats. The students are creating spay and neuter awareness posters and contacting our local cat rescue groups to find out what we can do to help the stray cat population in our community. The students are also organizing a workshop to build stray cat shelters out of Styrofoam, Rubbermaid containers with lids, and hay.

Our goal is to help the keep the stray cats in our community safe as well as prevent future litters of more stray kittens.

If your family or neighbors have any of the following items sitting around needing to be repurposed, please send them in by the end of next week.

- Styrofoam
- Rubbermaid brand containers with lids
- Hay

If any parent, grandparent, aunt or uncle has expertise on building and would like to help build cat shelters please contact me to come join our efforts.

Thank you so much for helping build compassion in our classroom and beyond.

Sincerely,