

February 6, 2019

Dear Parents,

All of our students are getting ready for the [Art Gallery Opening on February 15th](#). Mrs. Cook, along with many volunteers, has been painting, planning and preparing for weeks already. I can attest to the fact that the children LOVE doing artwork with Mrs. Cook! It's creative, messy and oh-so-much fun. Please support the children's efforts and think about coming to the Art Gallery opening. It is always a very nice time and a night for our school to shine.

Speaking of love, we will begin getting ready for [Valentine's Day on February 14th](#). I'm sure that many of you have noticed the large displays of candy hearts, cards and treats everywhere you look right now. In our classroom, we will have a sweet morning, passing Valentine cards to friends. Each child is asked to bring in a store-bought or handmade Valentine card, enough for twenty-five students and any additional adults they hope to woo with a Valentine. If there is a family that would like to make a special edible treat for the children that day, please contact me. Cynthia Rylant (one of our featured authors) also wrote a book about Valentines Day so we have been enjoying that.

This week we will be starting our readings from Ezra Jack Keats. I have checked out some of his many books from the library, but it's worth a trip there to check out some books on the librarian's display. Thank you for all the support of our author study through books and positive comments. We sure are having fun. If any of you have gotten your kids a library card would you let me know? I would love to share that information with the Samuel's library staff.

Have a good (warm, no snow!) week,  
Carrie