



Caring Parent Newsletter

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Younger children in grades K-3 are being encouraged to focus on being kind, helpful, and looking out for others. The children in upper grades (4-6) are taking things a step further by thinking about what they REALLY care about, and how to show care for their whole community. Older children are also encouraged to be on the watch for "negative chain reactions"- where someone adversely affects many other people—and create positive chain reactions by caring for others. We care about EVERYONE at our school—children, teachers, parents, administrators, staff—and together we can foster an even more caring environment.

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