

# WEEK 23 Respecting Our Environment



Dear Parent/Guardian,

## **For Your Heart**

This week, children are learning to respect the environment for the sake of all of us. Third graders are recognizing they have a part to play in keeping their environment clean, so everyone can enjoy the beauty of their surroundings, indoors and outdoors. They are learning:

- Why it is important to take care of our surroundings to show appreciation to others who worked so hard to create it and maintain it
- What we can do to add beauty to our environment
- Taking care of the environment around you makes your heart feel good

## **For the Heart of Your Child**

Here are a few ideas for how you can reinforce what your child is learning:

- Keep your room at home neat and clean.
- Help take care of your home by cleaning and sweeping.
- Never leave a mess you make (no matter where you are!)
- Thank the custodian for working hard to keep the school clean.
- Take care of our city by not littering.
- Walk on sidewalks, never walk across flowerbeds.
- Leave the flowers for others to enjoy rather than picking them for yourself.
- Pick up litter even if you're not the one who dropped it.
- Tell an adult if you see someone hurting property.

Teach your child that all of us are responsible for the care of our environment. When everyone respects his or her surroundings, there can be beauty everywhere!

From Our Hearts to Yours,



PS Don't forget to ask what CONSCIENTIOUS and RESOURCEFUL mean.

**CONSCIENTIOUS**—Diligently careful

**RESOURCEFUL**—Finding creative solutions to everyday problems; using your imagination and mind to repurpose materials

