

**Happy Valentine's Deer Park Families! I hope this Sunday finds you giving and getting lots of love! Remember that there is no school tomorrow in observance of President's Day. The school will not be open and we wish you a marvelous Monday!**

- This week we kick off National Random Acts of Kindness Week and we would like to invite all families to participate. Our PTA will be "chalking the walk" on Monday afternoon and hanging kindness signs to greet the Students and Staff on Tuesday Morning. We welcome families to make a kindness sign that can be hung up around campus. This would be a great way to spend your Monday doing something nice that everyone gets to see. Just make your sign and send it into school on Tuesday with your child. This week we will be reading kindness stories to the students, sharing small kindness tokens, and celebrating acts of kindness.
- We continue our Extended School Day this week, Tuesday through Thursday. I know many families have inquired about this additional help and unfortunately, we were only allotted 3 classrooms with 12 students in each of these classes. 1<sup>st</sup> grade is a focus on students with severe reading needs, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> is both reading and math needs, and 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade are students who needed math support. As these students fill in their learning gaps they will be exited from this extra help and other students can be invited. We used current assessments to identify those in need and this is a face-to-face program, not provided online. Thank you for understanding and we look forward to our students catching up quickly!
- This Thursday is our Live Virtual Clearwater Marine Aquarium visit, be sure to ask your child about the Sea Turtles they learn about through this PTA opportunity

**Thank you for all your support and wishing everyone a kindness filled week!**