

Native American Land Curriculum

Water



Dear PreK–1st Grade Families at RVUSD,



In this next month of January, we have been reading stories about WATER! Our purpose in studying Water stories is to help the children understand that all beings that life on Mother Earth depend on water to survive. Children will learn fundamental concepts about water conservation and the creation of water.



We will be reading the Yurok story called “How Thunder and Earthquake Made Ocean” from Native American Stories by Joseph Bruchac and Michael Caduto. Our vocabulary words will be: blue, water, three, generous, thunder, earthquake, and abalone.



We would really like to include stories from Round Valley and/or any of the tribes of the children at our school. Please let us know if you know of any elder or family member who would be willing to come in to our class and share a local tribal story with us. Our children will be greatly enriched by knowing our local stories.



To view the curriculum that we are implementing, please go to our website at www.roundvalleyschools.org and click on the Native American Land Curriculum link. Then click on the Pre-K- 1st Grade link to see the curriculum. We welcome your feedback. Please let your child’s teacher know what you think about the land curriculum.

Thank you and know that we love teaching your children,
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