

March 9, 2009



Dear Family,

In science, your child has begun studying **Investigating the Changing Earth**. On Monday, March 9th, our class will begin a culminating project involving clay animation focusing on the rock cycle. You might be familiar with "Wallace and Gromit" or the movie "Chicken Run". Our animations will be much shorter, but they will have a similar story to tell. This is a fun and exciting project, but we need your help to make it a success.

We will provide the students with an ample amount of primary colored clay, but any additional clay colors and extra accessories will need to be brought from home. We are including a list of suggested extras that will assist your child in order to make their animation better and be more realistic.

Materials can be purchased at an Arts and Crafts store. Michael's Arts and Crafts usually has reasonably priced items. When buying clay, make sure it is non-drying modeling clay. Once suggested type is Claytoon modeling clay from Van Aken. This is specially designed for clay animation and will not harden or dry out.

Thanks for your support,

Mrs. Ramirez and Miss Biange, GRT

**Suggested Extras:**

Claytoon™ modeling clay

Babywipes

Mini-rolling pin

Clay tools

CD(for personal copy) **\*\* Please label with your child's name\*\***

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\_\_\_\_ I will be able to volunteer on March 27<sup>th</sup> in the classroom to assist with the project. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact #: \_\_\_\_\_