

### Focus: Civic Literacy

#### Note to Parents:

This month, we are beginning the fourth literacy in our propriety curriculum entitled "INSPIRED." It is the Civic Literacy. For this literacy, our goal is to encourage our students to be good citizens in our school, community, and world. Throughout this month, your child will engage in activities that encourage them to show the values of cooperation, honesty, integrity, and patriotism. These realistic and meaningful activities are intended to provide our students with useful tools and knowledge that they can further apply to everyday situations.

Following are recommend activities that you may do at home with your child to help support and supplement our curriculum. If your child completes one (or more) of the activities, encourage him/her to snap a picture of the event or write a sentence or two to share with our Village family. We hope you enjoy them!

#### Fun at Home



- Work with your child to watch the news or listen to radio advertisements for stories of people who have shown honesty and/or integrity. Discuss what the person or people did in each instance and ask your child what the consequences could have been if the person/people had not shown honesty or integrity.
- Together, plan a fun family event. When planning, allow each person to come up with an activity or idea that he/she wants to do and discuss the importance of compromising with others!
- Challenge your child to see who can find the most American flags in one day! Write down each flag's location and then compare your lists at the end of the day! If you wish to make it a little more challenging, compare your lists and if you both have written down the same flag, cross the flag out and do not count that flag in your total number!
- Research why an American flag might fly at half staff! See if your child can answer the following questions:
  - Who makes the decision to fly the flag at half staff?
  - For how long does a flag usually fly at half staff?
  - Are there any scheduled days for the flag to fly at half staff?
- Play the game, "Two Truths and a Lie." One at a time, have each person say two things about himself/herself that are true and one thing that is a lie. Then have the others try to guess which statement was the lie!
- Look through your home and find craft materials you can use to create your own American flag.