Letter to Home

Chapter: Earth's Systems and Processes

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Our class is learning how the Earth's systems work, understanding the difference between manmade versus natural resources, and conservation. Over the course of this chapter, students will have the opportunity to:

- **2.10A:** Investigate and describe how wind and water move soil and rock particles across the Earth's surface such as wind blowing sand into dunes on a beach or a river carrying rocks as it flows.
- **2.11A:** Distinguish between natural and manmade resources.
- **2.11B:** Describe how human impact can be limited by making choices to conserve and properly dispose of materials such as reducing the use of, reusing, or recycling paper, plastic, and metal.

Thank you for your continued interest and involvement in your child's schoolwork. I hope this letter helps you stay informed about what your child is studying. If you are looking for a way to connect with your child about their school day, use the conversation starters. You can continue to explore this subject by completing the following family activity. As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Science Teacher

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Conversation Starters

- What are some things that happen at the beach?
- How does the wind move materials over Earth's surface?
- Can moving water change the land?
- What are some natural resources that come from our Earth?
- How is a manmade resource different from a natural resource?
- How can resources be conserved and disposed of to help protect our Earth?

Family Activity

Many people turn trash into art to recycle and reuse items. They might use make sculptures from plastic cutlery or canvas art made from sea glass. You can use a variety of recycled items. This is the time for your family to get creative and make art from trash. You can make one large piece of art as a family or have each family member make their own masterpiece.

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