

# Greetings, Family!

Every living thing is made of parts. The parts have different uses and work together to help the living thing survive. In our next unit, children will learn about the parts of plants, animals, and people. We'll learn how plants and animals grow and change. Finally, children will learn how people grow and change and what people can do to stay healthy.

How can you help your child learn how plants and animals grow? Take your child shopping in a grocery store. Look for parts of plants that people eat. Talk about whether that part is a root, stem, leaf, flower, fruit, or seed. Visit a pet store or zoo and compare the appearances of the animals. Ask a worker how the animals will grow and change.

For this unit, we'll be doing some hands-on activities about plants, animals, and people, using the materials listed below. Can you donate any of these items? If so, we need to receive your donated materials by \_\_\_\_\_.

- potted plant
- wallpaper samples
- paper towels
- newspapers
- assortment of leaves
- magazines
- series of photographs of the same person from toddler to adult

Finally, we could use your help in the classroom. Do you or other family members have any particular interest or special experience with this topic? Would you be able to help with the activities? If so, please fill out the form below and have your child return it to class.

Thank you very much for your help!

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## Family Newsletter

### Unit A, Plants, Animals, and People

Parent: \_\_\_\_\_ Student: \_\_\_\_\_

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