

# Greetings, Family!

The sky is a source of constant change and wonder. On Earth, it is the source of our weather, as well as a gateway to space and the rest of the universe. In our next unit, children will be studying weather and how it affects our daily lives. Later in the unit, children will begin to explore our solar system.

You can make science come alive for your child by watching for changes in the sky with him or her. Observe changes in weather, clouds, and temperature. Follow weather reports and forecasts in the newspaper and on television. Go outside on a clear night and observe what can be seen in the night sky.

For this unit, we will be doing many hands-on activities about the sky, using the materials listed below. Can you donate any of these items? If so, we need to receive your donated materials by \_\_\_\_\_.

- different kinds of thermometers
- paper or plastic cups
- fabric
- cardboard
- flashlights
- plastic bags

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 D, Patterns in the Sky

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_