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Dear Parents,

Our class is beginning an exciting new project called TechnoDrama. In this project, students team up to create a video that puts a “new spin” on nursery rhymes. By deconstructing these childhood favorites, they will ponder if Peter’s wife likes living in a pumpkin, why Jack is jumping over a candle stick, or if Wee Willie Winkie should be running through the town in his pajamas. These funny new digital stories will be told using live actors, marionettes, and puppets.

This is a great project to be involved in because it is the first time our students have had access to video production equipment. As you can imagine, everyone is thrilled to be part of this project. Students have already had an opportunity to learn how to edit raw footage, adjust the camera, and record quality video. They are now ready to make their own digital story.

Your child has been placed into a production team. Teams must cooperate together to select a nursery rhyme, develop a “new spin” for the storyline, storyboard the ideas, and shoot the footage. After the “raw” footage has been captured the teams will disband, and each student will be responsible for producing their own unique story by editing the video using Windows Movie Maker.

I am writing to ask for your help. Please ask your child what nursery rhyme they have selected. Have them look around the house for any materials that will help them to tell the story. Before sending them to school, please put your child’s initials somewhere on the item. Once we have completed the video capture portion of the project, all materials will be sent back home.



I appreciate your assistance. I look forward to sharing these video productions with you!

Teacher Name

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