V-V-V

We are learning about the Letter V and the /v/ sound this week! The V sound is the “vacuum cleaner” sound and a Lip Cooler sound! To make our /v/ sound we place the top teeth on the bottom lip and blow air out.  Be sure to turn your motor on like a vacuum cleaner! The /v/ sound is called the vacuum cleaner sound because when you make the /v/ sound you are forcing air out of your mouth and turning your “motor”/voice on to sound like a vacuum. It also is one of our lip coolers, because the cool air we blow out cools our lips!

Vacuum Sound

Activities you can practice at home:

\*Make a sun visor and decorate it with fun stickers! Or, make a vest out of a paper bag and decorate your new super hero vest!

\*  Learn about volcanoes and make a volcano! http://chemistry.about.com/cs/howtos/ht/buildavolcano.htm

\* Make a salad with a variety of vegetables!

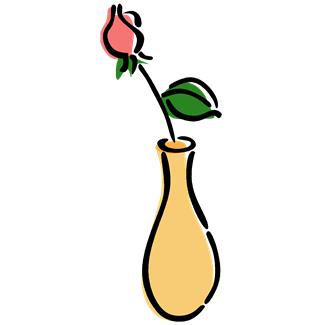
\* Go on a vegetable treasure hunt at the grocery store, or make a Vegetable poster by finding pictures of vegetables in magazines and gluing them on a poster!

\* Go on a treasure hunt and find things around the house that start with the /v/ sound!

Some of the pictures in our treasure chest this week are:

**Vacuum, Van, Valentine, Vest, Volcano, Vase**

Practice these words, and talk about the /d/ sound every day with your child!



**Books to read aloud:**

* *Silly Tilly's Valentine* by Lillian Hoban
* *Valentine Mice!* by Bethany Roberts
* *The Valentine Bears* by Eve Bunting
* *The Velveteen Rabbit* by Margery Williams Bianco
* *The Ugly Vegetables* by Grace Lin
* *June 29, 1999* by David Wiesner
* *Volcanoes: Mountains*
* *That Blow Their Tops* by Nicholas Nirgiotis
* VeggieTales Books