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Conlee Elem. Students Make Stone Soup Nov. 24

LAS CRUCES – Conlee Elementary School kindergarten classes are going to read several versions of the book “Stone Soup” and then, at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, November 24, 2009, the students and the Conlee Elementary kindergarten team will make the soup and eat it at the school, 1701 Boston Drive, said Conlee Elementary teachers Joe Barrio and Mary Lamboy.

“This event is showing how you can tie text to real life situations and how people need to work together to accomplish goals,” said Barrio. “This event was first done by Mrs. Lamboy and the students enjoyed reading and then making ‘stone soup. We will begin the day by reading and listening to several versions of the book (8:30-9:00 a.m.) and then begin to assemble and cook the soup. The soup should be done at 10:00 a.m., when we will all eat and find out what the secret ingredient was in the soup,” he said.

Stone soup is an old fairy tale about “in which strangers trick a starving town into giving them some food. It is usually told as a lesson in cooperation, especially amid scarcity. In varying traditions, the stone has been replaced with other common inedible objects,” according to http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stone_Soup. Marcia Brown wrote and illustrated the children’s book, “Stone Soup,” published in 1947. It has been retold in other books, magazines and stories and on the world wide web in many forms and versions.

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