Dear Parents,

Your child has been studying basic money management—including how to tell the difference between wants and needs. Now show your child how you manage your own money! Start by discussing your grocery budget, then take your child to the supermarket to comparison shop.

Do Some Smart Spending!

1. Before you take your child grocery shopping, discuss the amount you’ve budgeted for this trip. For example, imagine your limit is $60 and you cannot spend any more.

2. Make a list together and identify wants and needs. For example, cookies are a want and milk is a need.

3. Go to the store with your list. Show your child how you look for sales and compare prices. Challenge them to hunt for good deals too. Ask your child to compare the bag of oranges with the loose ones in the bin: Which is the better deal?

I love Presidents Day sales!