



it's valentine's day
and we've come here to say
this year we're going to do it a special way!

Here's how it works:

1. You will draw a secret valentine buddy name of a person from our 4th Grade class.
2. You must keep your buddy secret—Shhh! Don't tell or you'll ruin the surprise. Don't even tell your friends, please!
3. Use the buddy survey to gather information about your buddy. You will make a handmade card for your secret valentine buddy.
4. You will also make/buy a creative "present" that you think your secret valentine buddy might like. (\$5 limit if you choose to purchase part of the gift)
5. On the Thursday before Valentine's Day, (Mardi Gras, Thursday Feb. 13th) when we come back to our room after 3rd recess, you will give your secret buddy their present and receive yours.

Ideas for creative "presents":

- Short Story or book, poem
- Picture (hand-drawn or painted)
- Handmade game
- Favorite Candy, soda, or treat
- Pencils, pens, markers, high lighters, stencils or other funs school supplies
- Crafts, bracelets, painted wooden letters of their name
- Other ideas? I would be happy to help with ideas, if needed!

When: **DUE: MONDAY. FEBRUARY 10th** (Exchange is THURSDAY, Feb. 13th)

Where: School—during party

Why: We want to make each other feel extra special and show that we can SERVE, LEAD, LOVE, and LEARN about others

What: card + creative present covered in a non-see-through bag

* Optional for those interested: You may bring homemade or premade valentines for your classmates in addition to this special card and present for your buddy. These can be passed out during the party if you choose to bring them.



Valentine's Day Buddy Card and Gift Exchange Preparation Plans Sheet

*Return this sheet signed to your teacher by Thursday, February
6th

Your name: _____ Will you be here on 2/13? _____

*Are you going to tell anyone who you or anyone else has? _____

Student Signature : _____

Name of student you are preparing a gift *and* card for: _____

Description of card you are going make:

* Goal: spend around 20 min. on a neatly decorated card

What supplies do you need? _____

Description of gift you are going make:

*Goal: spend around 60 min. on a thoughtful gift

What supplies do you need? _____

Questions: Is there anything you need to know to help make this special for
your buddy? _____

How and when will your gift and card be brought to school?

As a parent, I have read over the instructions for this buddy exchange and
am aware of all aspects required for the card *and* gift due on **Monday 2/10**

Parent Signature: _____ **Date :** _____