Standard Connection: ELA.RL.PK4.1 ELA.RI.PK4.7 M.CC.PK4.1 SS.FC.PK4.6b PD.FM.PK4.4

Enduring Understanding(s):

- A friend is someone we care for and want to spend time with.
- Friends like to do things together and enjoy each other's company.
- We can have more than one good friend, and we might like to do some things with one friend and other things with other friends.

Essential Question(s):

How do you relate and communicate your feelings, thoughts, and needs to others?

Materials	Vocabulary	Books
 A Letter to Amy and Dandelion chart paper envelopes markers samples of child-made stationery real invitations 	 invitation: ask someone to do something information: something you know about someone/something celebration: a party for a special reason/a special party envelope: used to mail letters 	Pancelion EZRA JACK REATS A LETTER TO AMY

Let's Find Out About It:		
Preparation: Set up materials.		
"In A Letter to Amy, Peter wrote an invitation to Amy to ask her to come to his birthday party. In Dandelion, Jennifer Giraffe wrote an invitation to Dandelion. What do you notice?"	Show illustrations. Children respond.	
"How is Peter's invitation the same as, or different from, Jennifer Giraffe's?"	Children respond.	
"An invitation has the name of the person being invited and Information - what they need to know about the celebration ."	Show samples of invitations.	
"I am going to write, 'Dear Please come to (when): and (where):' "	Show images.	
"If I wanted to mail my invitation like Peter and Jennifer Giraffe did, I would need to put it in an envelope ."	Show an envelope.	
"What else would I need to do in order to mail my invitation?"	Children respond.	
"In Small Groups, you can create invitations to our class celebration using the stationery that you made in the Creative Arts Center."	Show samples of child-made stationery.	
"Count how many invitations you need, how many you create, and how many you send."	Show samples of child-made stationery.	

