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Hundred for Haiti project inspires Babson Park students

BABSON PARK – Grouping is an important math skill for second graders to learn. For years, students have grouped everything from pencils to pennies to help master the concept.

During the past few weeks, second graders at Dale R. Fair Babson Park Elementary School combined their math skills and charitable hearts to work on an important math and life lesson.

After learning about the January earthquake that devastated Haiti, students wanted to do something to help. As the 100th day of school approached in February, students decided to “celebrate” the 100th day with a math project to help earthquake victims, and give students a chance to see what groups of 100 look like.

Second grade students of **Barbara Anderson, Cindy Landen, Sarah Marston** and **Brenda Wunker** collected toiletries, including toothpaste, shampoo, soap and deodorant. Students counted items and separated them into groups of 100. Each classroom graphed its collections and shared results with other classes.

“The students look forward to sending Haiti the items they collected,” said Principal **Ken Henson**.



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Left: Dale R. Fair Babson Park Elementary second graders (l-r) **Ridley Harper, Joanna Perez-Granados, Cameron Schirmer** and **Shelley Caraway** helped with their grade level’s “100 for Haiti” project.

For more information about Dale R. Fair Babson Park Elementary, contact Principal Ken Henson at 863/678-4664.

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