The third unit within the Kindergarten Curriculum Pilot Project focuses on the theme of Construction. As the kindergarteners think, learn, and explore this theme, Governor Raimondo challenged our kindergarteners to create a model that answered this question:

What could we build in our state to make Rhode Island a better place for children?

Our kindergartners are excited to showcase the hard work and the amazing learning occurring within their Construction Unit across many of the classrooms involved in the Kindergarten Curriculum Pilot Project.

Please click on links below to see the ideas the kindergarten students created.

Children's Park - Maria Santonastaso's class at Glen Hills Elementary School, Cranston

Daddy Care - Ashley Allison and Andrea Annaldo at Robertson Elementary School, Central Falls

Helping Center - Katharine Dobbin's class at Community Elementary School, Cumberland

Mermaid Park – Nancy O'Hare's class at Captain Isaac Paine Elementary School, Foster

Rhode Island Family Fun Center - Marie Ross's class at Community Elementary School, Cumberland

Rhode Island's Future - Evangelista Foussekis' class at Community Elementary School, Cumberland

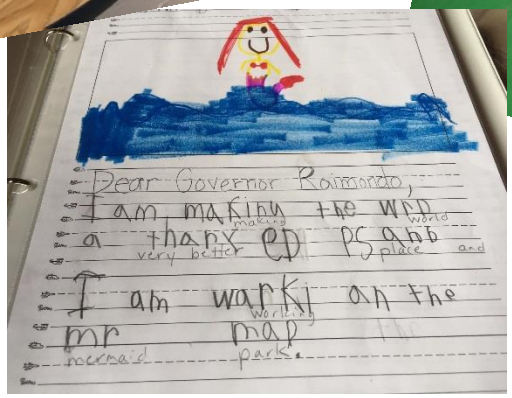
Safe Place to Travel – Katherine Lambert's class at Community Elementary School, Cumberland

School of Fun - Ari Orefice's class at Captain Isaac Paine Elementary School, Foster

Skyscraper for Poor People - Kelly Walton's class at Glen Hills Elementary School, Cranston

Stop Heart Home Hotel - Amanda Scanlon's class at Ranger Elementary School, Tiverton

Themed Indoor Playground - Michelle Cole's class at Community Elementary School, Cumberland



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Gina M. Raimondo
Governor

January 9, 2017

Dear Kindergartners,

My name is Gina Raimondo and I am the Governor of Rhode Island. It's the governor's job to help all of the people who live in Rhode Island, including all of the kindergarten students! I work hard every day to make Rhode Island a great place for people to live and for children like you to learn and play.

I am always looking for ways to make Rhode Island even better, so I talk to as many Rhode Islanders as I can. You live in Rhode Island, and I am sure that you have creative ideas that could help me. I hope you will share your thoughts about our state with me.

Your teachers tell me that you are working hard in school and learning about structures in your construction unit. That got me thinking, and I have a question for you: **What could we build in our state to make Rhode Island a better place for children?**

This is a big question, so take your time as you come up with an answer. Think about your favorite buildings and the places you like to go. Talk to your classmates, your teachers, and your families. Books, stories, and other media may help you come up with ideas, too.

When you have an answer, please write it down and then make a model to show me what you think we should build. Your model will help us all understand your ideas for making Rhode Island an even better place for kids like you.

I am looking forward to learning about your wonderful ideas and seeing your models.

Sincerely,

Gina M. Raimondo
Governor