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## **Cypress Grove Montessori Academy: A New Home for Abu**

Cypress Grove Montessori Academy students have successfully raised funds to purchase a new home for Abu: the fifth grade class's pet rabbit.

The idea for this came from a group of fifth grade students, members of the Lion House: Chase Powers, Ally Fontenot, and Madden Aucoin. These students presented a plan of action to Principal Linda Lowman about the need for a new home for Abu.

After approval from Ms. Lowman, the students pitched the project to the school, presenting information on how they planned to raise the money for the rabbit's new home.

The school held a competition between classes in which students raised money for the project. Nearly \$800 was raised to provide an updated home for the pet rabbit.

This pet is important to students at Cypress Grove Montessori Academy because it provides an avenue for real life experiences. This project is part of the Montessori vision where students drive their own learning through projects such as these, where they take pride and ownership of the work they do to bring a project from an idea to a reality.