

JANUARY 4th GRADE NEWSLETTER

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Reading & Writing

In reading we are continuing our unit on Non Fiction. The students have been identifying nonfiction text features, main idea, supporting details as well as summarizing different parts of a text. They also completed a small research group project to help develop their research skills such as planning, developing questions, small group discussion and utilizing thinking maps. We will also start responding to text dependent questions to help us prepare for the ELA tests.

In writing we will publish our opinion writing pieces. Throughout the unit we developed our skills by creating strong leads to get the reader's attention as well as including a variety of transitional words to help our writing flow. We elaborated on our ideas by providing reasons and examples to help make our opinion stronger. We also strategically chose words that will help convince our readers and repeated words that would help the readers feel emotions.

Math

We just finished up our unit on division. We developed our division skills by practicing the process as well as getting to know about basic division facts. We are currently working on using a variety of operations and strategies to help us problem solve. We will continue to use our CUB strategy to help us analyze and evaluate the problem.

Social Studies

In Social Studies, We created research based flip books about a specific explorer. We focused on important dates, biographies, impacts, pictures, and developed questions we had about the explorer. We will begin to learn about the original 13 colonies.

Harmony Time

We will continue to grow socially and emotionally throughout the various harmony time lesson and activities we do each week. We also started checking in with our mood meter each day.