

April

Grade 2 Newsletter - April in Review

Introduction

In April, we celebrated Easter with outdoor Easter-themed Olympic games and an Easter Egg craft.

The class had an Environment Project on bees. They learned all about the different types of bees, the life cycle and certain bee roles. Lastly, they created a craft and wrote of their learnings.

Language Arts

We continued Unit 5 about Plants & Animals. We learned about and applied the reading strategies of cause and effect, sequence of events, and how to summarize the key events from a story. We also learned about Prepositions of Location and the students did their own research on what plants/animals live near or in a pond. Lastly, we held our in-class Speaking Competition where all the students presented on a variety of topics and passions.

Pictures, pictures, pictures!

Mathematics

We were introduced to Mass and then the students practiced measuring and recording the masses of various objects in the classroom. We also learned to identify, describe, and create growing and shrinking patterns. Then we looked for patterns in hundreds charts.

Social Studies

We determined that no matter where someone lives in the world, we all have the same basic needs of shelter, clothing and food. But those needs are met differently depending on where we live and environment we live in. We also learned that the clothing people wear and the homes they live in are also determined by the climate and environment they live in.

Science

In Science we studied how air is all around us and that it takes up space and moves things. Then we learned about how water can be found in different forms and in different places. And we looked into the three stages of the water cycle.

Art

In Art, art met math as the students in groups worked to create shape city artwork using geometric shapes. The students also designed out of this world planets. Finally, the students were introduced to the method of abstract art and famous abstract painters. The students will now begin their own graded abstract art project.

Important Dates:

May 5:

Speaking Contest school finals

May 14:

Speaking Contest final round (other schools)

May 19:

Cultural Project - The Beatles

May 28:

End of year student evaluation meeting

