

# April

## Grade 3 Newsletter - April in Review

### Introduction

We celebrated Easter with outdoor Easter-themed Olympic games and an Easter Egg craft. The students visited a chocolate factory and we also had an Environment Project on bees. Lastly, we prepared for the annual Speaking Competition. One could say that we were 'busy bees'.

### Language Arts

We were introduced to Unit 5 about Neighbors In Space and learned about utilizing a K-W-L chart as a graphical organizer to help us organize our thoughts in a learning exercise. It also taught us to use prior knowledge before reading a topic. We also learned about text structure and that our current reading was informational text. The class began a Penpal project after receiving individual letters from a Grade 4 class in the U.S. Lastly, we had our in-class Speaking Contest and we heard about interesting topics and passions.

**Pictures, pictures, pictures!**

### Mathematics

In Math we learned about reading and describing data presented in pictographs along with vertical and horizontal bar graphs. Students continued to work on their 3D Geographic Shape City joint Math/Art group project.

### Social Studies

In Social Studies, students were tasked this month with an Endangered Species Project. Students spent time on the Chromebooks, researching and choosing a specific endangered species to answer questions about and present to the class through written work and slides. Students tentatively will be presenting this graded project next week.

### Science

In Science we continued our studies in regards to soil as a living, breathing ecosystem. We learned about the different textures and that we can measure soil by the size of rock particles. Finally, we have begun learning about soil erosion and how it can be prevented.

### Art

The students continued to have multiple periods of class time to work on their 3D Geometric Shape City joint Math/Art project. We should be soon finishing up this graded groupwork 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

