



Grade 3 Newsletter - May in Review

Introduction

The days of May brought us letters exchanged by pen (and pencil) with new Grade 4 friends at a school in America's midwest. We also chose important endangered species to learn and talk about. And lastly, we explored the cultural phenomenon that is The Beatles.

Language Arts

The students completed their Pen Pal project by crafting their response letters to be mailed back to our new friends in the U.S. We continued to work on finishing off Unit 5 where we learned about how in the past many myths were created about space. We revisited the reading strategies of comparing and contrasting and summarizing a reading. We also learned about compound sentences and future verb: to be going.

Mathematics

The students continued to work on and completed their 3D Geometric Shape City joint Math/Art group project. Each group put in some great thought as to use of shapes. We continued to understand and identify the mode in a set of data, and we predicted the frequency of an outcome in a simple probability experiment.

Social Studies

In Social Studies the students completed and presented their individual Endangered Species project. The students learned and shared some really interesting information and we discovered how humans can greatly impact these animals and their natural habitats. We also learned about how mining can impact the environment and the responsibility of keeping it clean and healthy.

Science

Science in May was about soil, soil and more soil. The students learned that gravity, wind and rain lead to soil loss (erosion) and that there are things that people can do to prevent or minimize it. We experimented with creating our own waves crashing into a mini beach. We are now learning about the importance of earthworms to soil, leaving nutrients for plants to grow well and strong.

Art

The workgroups continued to work on and complete the 3D Geometric Shape City joint Art/Math project. All the groups displayed good creativity in this challenging assignment. As a class we also created our own 'Lennon Wall' as part of the Cultural Project on The Beatles. Lastly, we made something special for our special Moms.

Pictures, pictures, pictures!



Important Dates:

June 1

Sports Day

June 16-19

Green School

June 23

End of year
Parent/Teacher Meetings