

from the desk of Mrs. VanSlooten

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Math: We learned about weight with ounces, pounds, grams, and kilograms. We also solved some story problems involving mass. Look for a quiz to come home next week that covered these skills. Thanks for working with your child to get those facts studied!	Spelling: This week our spelling list was all about the schwa sound. Ask your child if they remember what this sound makes and what letters make that sound. In grammar this week we worked on compound predicates.
Reading: This week we started learning about mysteries this week. We learned what ingredients make a mystery and learned some important vocabulary words.	Writing: We have been working really hard publishing our nonfiction writing. This is a tedious process and the kids are doing great! Hope to wrap this up next week!
Science: We learned about defenses that animals use to protect themselves. We also played a camouflage game with paper butterflies. We hid them in the room and had "predators" try to find them. Ask your child if their butterfly survived!	Social Studies: In Mr. Oosting's class, the students are reviewing technology skills to get them ready for the M-Step test in the spring. With Mrs. VanderWall, students continue to work on the economics unit.
Specials for next week:	FYI: Upcoming events:
Monday - Music	February 3 - Early Release
Tuesday - Art and library	February 6 - Winter Break - no school
Wednesday - Gym	February 14 - Valentine party at 2:10
Thursday - Music	
Friday - Art	