



A Peek at the Week

in Mrs. Van Norman's and Mrs. Mansaku's Class

February 16, 2018

Reading

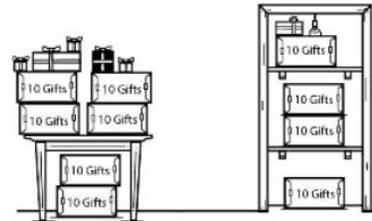
We looked for **text evidence** as we read about the bison, a new American symbol. Though it weighs 2,000 pounds, it can run up to 40 miles per hour. We also reviewed **text features**. Next week, we'll learn about the father of our country and our first president. Do you know who it is?

Writing

We continued working on our All About **informational book**. We drew diagrams of our animal and wrote about how their bodies are designed to help them survive. We also used **key words** to help our readers understand.

Math

We created and solved story problems about gifts and groups of 10 gifts called parcels. We are learning why counting by 10s is quicker than counting by 1s.



Spanish

Our week was filled with getting faster with our math facts, taking our unit test in Number Corner and working on our end of the unit test in Spanish. We are also learning flags of different countries and using fractions to determine the amount of Red in each flag. All students have been working very hard on their math facts in class. Congratulations to **Evie** and **Mina** for moving up on their Reading Level in Spanish!

President's Day

Monday, Feb. 19
NO SCHOOL

Wednesday, Feb. 21

Variety Show

Wednesday, Feb. 21

Book Orders Due

Friday, March 1

Young Authors' Stories Due

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Dear Family,

We enjoyed our Valentine's Day party on Wednesday and then our Show & Tell sharing on Thursday. We are fortunate to learn with our friends and show how much we care about each other.

We sent home three **book order forms** – two in English and one in Spanish. Please spend some time looking at the magazines and choosing a book for two for your young reader. It is important for children to read a variety of genres in both languages.

XtraMath instructions are included in your child's red folder. If you have not used this online program to practice math facts, please try it this weekend. You can use tablets, phones or library computers, too.

Enjoy the long weekend!

☺ Mrs. Van Norman and Mrs. Mansaku

Reading Rewards

☺ More students are progressing in their reading levels. Congratulations **Jovan, Orlando, Layla, Mina, Evelin** and **Dara**!

☺ Check your child's blue folder for Skills Cards, **Power Goals** & practice pages. New levels have new skills.

☺ Listen to or read chapters 13 & 14 of the **Charlotte's Web** this weekend. Then take time to discuss what you've read.

☺ Several of our students have won prizes for guessing which teacher is reading the chapter in Spanish.