



Dragon Class Newsletter



With Lu Laoshi, Mr. Boucher,
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Week 25: 2/12/18-2/16/18



Weekly News...

What a busy week! We had Valentine's Day, PBIS Celebration, Chinese New Year celebration both school and classroom, and Winter Olympic Games in one week! For Valentine's Day we decorated our brown bags and exchanged cards and brought friends valentines. For Chinese New Year we reviewed the 12 Zodiac animals and introduced the traditions of the Spring Festival which includes cleaning the whole house, decorating the house and putting couplets on, preparing the feast, watching the gala on TV, setting off fireworks, saying good wishes to the elders, and receiving red envelopes. We also talked about where "Nian 年" came from. We practiced using chopsticks (It was a little challenging for many kids). We also introduced Chinese Calligraphy. For Kinder Math we kept learning composing and decomposing 6, 7, and 8 with number bond. For 1st Grade we have learned comparing length. We keep practicing all the procedures and reinforce school wide expectations. If you have any questions, please contact us at jing@gala-prek8.org, john@gala-prek8.org or errin@gala-prek8.org. Thank you for all your support! Have a wonderful weekend!

Lu Laoshi

Chinese calendar

日历

一月 二月 三月 四月 五月 六月 七月 八月 九月 十月 十一月 十二月

ELA

Phonics:

- Kindergarten: Building, reading and writing short E and I word families.
- First Grade: Long I and A patterns

Writing/Literature:

Comparing and contrasting character traits.
Comprehension. Plot sequencing.

Black History Month Author/Illustrator Study, Week 2: Toni Morrison

Please, Louise
Peeny Butter Fudge
Little Cloud and Lady Wind

Reminders

- ❖ Thank you for bringing our class community snacks!! And thank you for those who bringing food and volunteering in our Chinese New Year Celebration!! I appreciate your support and interest.
- ❖ No School on Monday February 19th due to President Day and PD day for teachers.
- ❖ Please keep practicing the characters your child has not mastered on the sheet I have sent home last Friday.
- ❖ This week's homework for Kindergarten and First Grade are sent home on Friday and due on next Friday February 23.
- ❖ Dragon class website is <http://galadragon.weebly.com/>
- ❖ You can search and join "GALAdragon" on **Quizlet.com** to find all the study sets at home. <https://quizlet.com/GALAdragon>