



Dragon Class Newsletter



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Week 29: 3/12/18-3/16/18



Weekly News...

This is an exciting week because we started our science unit—Trees and Weather. We introduced trees and parts of the tree. Then we took a tour outside the school to count and observe the trees in our school yard. We adopted a tree in front of our school building and observed the tree parts also talked about what trees can provide to people. We also learned about the shape of different trees and played puzzle game to make different trees. We revisited the Mandarin expression of calendar to learn about today tomorrow and yesterday. For Kinder Math we learned about composition and decomposition of 9 and 10. For 1st Grade we learned about using different strategies of place value to solve addition problems. 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!

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Chinese Sentences

树 tree 树叶 leaf 树枝 branch

树干 trunk 根 root



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Phonics:

-First Grade: Beginning s-blends
Kindergarten: Letter sound reviews, sight word handwriting practice

Writing/Literature:

Building stronger sentences using different types of adjectives

Notable Books

Good Night, Good Knight by Shelly Moore Thomas and Jennifer Plecas: A fun little story about a knight helping three little dragons get ready for bed. This book has dozens of colorful and descriptive adjectives that the students enjoyed finding and discussing.

Bitter Bananas by Isaac Olaleye and Ed Young: An engaging story by a an author from Nigeria about a farmer and some troublesome baboons. The class enjoyed the gorgeous artwork and the lyrical language.

Reminders

- ❖ **Spring Break is from 3/26-4/2. School resumes on Tuesday 4/3.**
- ❖ **Please check your child's green folder daily.**
- ❖ **Please keep practicing MobyMax at home.**
- ❖ **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 is sent home on Friday and due on next Friday March 23.**
- ❖ **New pictures** on Dragon class website <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>