

MERCURY

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GRADE 1 NEWSLETTER

After the various breaks, it took a good week to get back into the routine of the class. We've done lots of good hands on learning and learning at home. I'm looking forward to a fun 3rd quarter.



Pemi is counting how many coins her boat will hold. We had a fun day learning about buoyancy.

Ysabel is testing her soil to see what happens to the water when it's put in the soil. Will it move quickly or slowly? Will it spread or stay centralized? How does the soil change?



Matthew and Saahil teamed up for an erosion experiment. Monic is making a soil model. I have a video presentation; if you would like a copy, please let me know..

In Language Arts

We've done sequence writing and learning about verbs. We are laying the foundation now and are trying to make it strong. Next, we will be comparing and contrasting, continuing with verbs and using more

In Social Studies

We learned about communities. Looking at people in our community, different types of communities like a farms, cities and neighborhoods. Also, different weather in different communities.

In Math

We worked a lot with math families. I felt they got a real good understanding of it and the exams showed they learned it well. Next is fractions, which I love too!



Left: Mathew and Pemi are giving money to practice subtraction.

Below: is the life cycle of a mealworm. 1. worm, 2. sheds skin, 3. bigger worm, 4. pupa, 5. pupa turning black, 6. bee-

Coming Up

15-17th Feb. = Parent Teacher Conference

17th Feb. = Spelling Bee

24th Feb. = Grade 3 assembly



Fruit salad in Math—coming soon