

WHAT'S
BEEN
HAPPENING

LA

- Parts of a story
- Theme

Math

- Algebraic expressions and variables

Science

- Water
- Weather
- Astronomy

Social Studies

- Early Civilizations of the Americas
- Age of Exploration

COMING UP

LA

- Author's Purpose
- Class novel

Maths

- Beginning Algebra

Science

- Astronomy
Project: Selling a planet!

Social Studies

- Age of Chinese Exploration
- Trade Routes

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TAKE NOTE!

Welcome back to Grade Five's newsletter, The Jupiter Express and a very Happy New Year! In Language Arts we read a nice story called "Yang the Second and her Secret Admirer". We were able to enjoy learning about the struggles of a young Chinese-American girl to make friends and also understand how a story is put together. Next, we will enjoy reading some longer stories to think what books can teach us about themes.

Math class has us learning about basic Algebra. In Science we will start to explore our galaxy and do a "Selling a Planet" project.

For Social Studies we are studying how great civilizations began in the Americas only to be defeated in the Age of Exploration and Conquest by the 1500's.

Brainteaser

How long would it have taken Marco Polo to travel from Italy to China in 1271? Remember, there were no planes or even good ships!

Remember!

The next holiday is not until April 11-13 due to floods.

Tien (Candle) "I really liked and enjoyed the story about Yang. It is a modern story and I like modern stories. I learned how to work in a group." I learned about the parts of a story. I worked on the rising action which is the part that leads to the climax. I also learned the word *heritage*".



Marco Polo Word Search

M I E F A T H E R
L C X I H R K D O
P H P A L L H I O
S I L K R O A D S
K N O P K F N E H
M A R C O P O L O
E V E N I C E A M
O T R A V E L E D
U N C L E C O L H

Marco Polo Explorer Father
Uncle Silk Road China
Venice Traveled Khan

