

Happy Friday everybody,

What a FANTASTIC week! So much to do, so little time!!!

Highlights:

We spent a little time everyday this week finishing up our research and models for our class presentations. We broke into four groups of two and each partnership had a different topic. What was your child researching? Ask them to present their findings to you and tell you all about the super impressive model they built with their partners. They have become so confident in their speaking skills that they now would like to present to other classes as well!

Dorothy and her friends have just made it to the gates of the Emerald City! We are super eager to find out what will happen next. What does your child predict?

One of our Science Spin articles we read this week was about animals and how they are natural weather forecasters. It was very interesting to see how various animals such as frogs, sheep, and butterflies all send signals to warn of dangerous weather! Afterwards, we played a game as class on the smart board and completed a couple interactive activities about the article we read.

Every week, I always ask the class if there is anything specific they would like for me to include in the week's parent newsletter and nearly everyone said they wanted to make sure I tell you, in case they forget, about the books they are writing. They are SO excited and have been working very hard on their rough drafts this week! Our goal is to have our first book written by the end of the month and our second will be published in April!

Lastly, we were so very fortunate to have the Hellenic Museum of Chicago come today for an in-school field trip! The kids had SO MUCH FUN learning all about how ancient Greeks used to story-tell and then acting out their stories as well as creating and painting their own mythological beasts. See if they can tell you why they only used orange, black, and white paints and what

their monsters are 

Reminders/Announcements:

- Parents, please make sure your child is in their appropriate uniform. Tuesdays and Thursdays are DRESS uniform days, not gym uniforms. Boys must be in their KHAKIS and shirts and/or cardigans, and girls in their jumper or khakis. Additionally, your child should have a pair of gym shoes to change into everyday.
- Don't forget to send your replies for your child's permission slip to Seussical the Musical!

- We would like to begin a school weather channel and our vision right now is to have a couple students from our class per week record the forecast! They have been working on building a weather station a little everyday complete with a new barometer, an anemometer, thermometer, and wind vane. If any of you have any "dressier" clothing you could donate, we would really appreciate it:)

Thank you and have a great weekend!

-Ms. Anna