

Dolphin Pod Post

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Reading & Writing: Nature and POV

Students are finishing up Unit three, “**Observing Nature**” where they read and compare selections about nature to analyze how different writers responded to the natural world. We are beginning our fourth unit in Benchmark during late February and will continue through March. This unit is entitled, “**Understanding Different Views**”. In this unit, students will read and compare the points of view in different selections and analyze how point of view affects a story. We will be focusing on the essential question, “*What do we learn when we look at the world through the eyes of others?*”. Look for books in Benchmark assigned to your child that support this unit.

[Resource link to Benchmark](#)

Math: In Math, students will extend their understanding about the operation of division and the relationship between multiplication and division developed in Grade 3 to find whole number quotients (up to 4-digit dividends and 1-digit divisors). Students use the terms dividend, divisor, quotient, and remainder; remainders are interpreted based on the contexts of problems. Students use strategies and explanations based on place value and the properties of operations to estimate and calculate quotients.

<https://greatminds.org/resources/products/group/grade-roadmaps>

1/13- MAP-M

1/16-President’s Day
(School Closed)

1/25- MAP-R

1/26- Marking Period
Two Ends

1/27- Schools Closed

1/30- Marking Period
Three Begins

1/31 Town Hall

Science & Social Studies

In **Social Studies**, students explore a variety of media, including primary source/firsthand accounts, to gather and record information about destinations, goals, and actions of explorers during the age of European exploration.

In **Science**, students are learning about the brain, eyes, and ears and how they relate to the world around them. Student efforts to design a “better ear” to improve hearing have been interesting and quite engaging.

Reminders: Please think about sending in tissues and hand sanitizer to our classroom. Be sure to send your child to school with appropriate clothing for the weather.

