

Panda Class Newsletter



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**Week 27: 2/13/17-2/16/17**



**Weekly News…**

This is the second week of our new unit “Science Moves”. We did an experiment to make Skittle rainbow and students are surprised! It’s an experiment that you can easily make at home: put skittles around the plate and pull water over them. Then just watch! For Black History Month we started to introduce them about the diversity in the world. We learned about Garrett Morgan who invented traffic lights. We did several activities to celebrate Valentine’s Day. We “planted” a heart flower, made heart necklace, and prepared Valentine’s gift bag for all pandas. For math Kindergarten we kept practicing adding 4/5/6/7/8/9/10. For math 1st grade we started learning about money. We also reinforced classroom routines and school wide expectations. If you have any questions, please contact us [yuting@gala-prek8.org](mailto:yuting@gala-prek8.org), [wendy@gala-prek8.org](mailto:wendy@gala-prek8.org) or [lauren@gala-prek8.org](mailto:lauren@gala-prek8.org). Thank you so much for your support and have a wonderful weekend!

**Chinese Words Learning**

**科学(Science)、科学家(Scientist)、男(man)**

**Announcements**

* No School on Friday 2/17 and Monday 2/20.
* This week’s homework is for two weeks and the due date is 2/27.
* Thank you for bring money for fundraiser! Students are excited to know about how much we get together!
* Panda class weebly website! <http://galapanda.weebly.com/>

**Art**

In art the students are focusing on Black History Month. We have been reading about jazz musicians, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the song *We Shall Overcome*. The students are using facts and ideas from the books to create their own collage illustrations. If you have a chance this weekend it would be great to listen to jazz music with your student. You can find songs on YouTube by Ella Fitzgerald, Trombone Shorty, Billie Holiday and others. You can also talk with your student about other African American artists, musicians, actors and authors and the impact they have had on our culture and society.

**PYP contents**

* **Science Moves**

**- Skittles rainbow experiment**

* **Black History Month**

**- Garrett Morgan: Traffic Light**

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