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Monthly Look Back

Happy 2018! It's hard to believe we are already a whole month into the new year. January flew by since we never had a 5-day week during the entire month. Despite what seemed like limited time in the classroom, we got quite a bit accomplished. The kids have been really enjoying our Westward Expansion. They've been making "quilt squares" that have been displayed in the hallway. Look for these to come home soon. The month was pretty smooth. We did a lot of group and station work. I've been quite proud of how hard the class has been working, especially when asked to collaborate and with each other. We earned another set of compliments and had a small magic show in the room. The kids loved it! Ask them about the lemon tick!

Mr. Baker

Topics Covered:

Math: We've been hard at work learning vertical addition and subtraction while having to regroup and decompose tens.

CKLA: We are in the middle of a book called "Kids Excel". We've read stories about great spellers and some swimming sister.

S.S.: We continue to work on Westward Expansion; learning about the Trail of Tears and the Pony Express.

Science: We've got a lot going on in science. The kids are really enjoying "growing" and observing our mealworms, despite it not being my cup of tea.

Spelling: Our spelling continues to line up with our CKLA work and lessons in class. Please make sure your child is practicing their words at home. We will continue to have 15 words on our list each week.

Read and Math Make Progress

It seems like we take assessments quite often in school. However, the kids really rise to the challenge and produce quality results. January was a benchmark assessment month for the whole school which meant every kid had to take the STAR Reading and Math assessments. I was beyond proud of the scores that many of the kids produced. It was clear they put their all into and tried their best. The rewards of their work were shared in class. Please ask them how they've been doing.

Instagram Account

I am sending home a letter about a new Instagram account I have set up for the room. Please read this and learn about the account and send back the attached form. As I state in the letter, it is very secure and protected.

Contact Me – My lines of communication are always open.

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Hopefully you've been receiving my School Messenger updates.