

Miss Hoyle's Newsletter

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| Writing | We are beginning to learn how to research a topic! We learned a bit about how to choose reputable sources, and researched on kid-safe websites. We made 4-squares in our writers notebooks to organize the information we gathered. We chose an animal to research. We chose a natural disaster to research. |
| Reading | We continued our nonfiction reading unit. We listened to and read nonfiction books and identified the text features in the books. We made 4-squares in our reader's notebooks to document the facts we learned. |
| Math | We represented fractions using standard notation, words and drawings. We recognized equivalent fractions using a visual fraction model. We used known multiplication facts, called helper facts, to solve harder multiplication facts. We explored the use of doubling to solve number stories involving area. |
| Science | We began our All About Earth unit! We learned about the layers of the Earth. We learned how the Earth's crust is broken into pieces called tectonic plates that are always moving. We learned the difference between lava and magma. We learned how a volcano erupts. We began to discuss how rocks and minerals are formed inside the Earth. |
| Handwriting | We learned the capital cursive O, Q, N and M. |