

Dear Dolphin parents,

We kicked off the month with the setsubun celebration. Scary "Oni" (demon in Japanese) came to school to bring us bad luck!

Thankfully, we had our "mame" (beans) to chase them away. While we showered those ill-intentioned creatures, we shouted: "oni wa soto" (out with evil) and "fuku wa uchi" (in with fortune). This will surely bring us good luck throughout the year.

We had our "I am a Paleontologist" theme party, made paleontologist name cards, rescued "Tiny-Dinies" that were frozen in ice, and made a yummy "Cup of Dirt" (crumbled chocolate cookies, chocolate covered cornflakes, and chocolate ice-cream) with "dinosaur fossils" (Haribo Dino-gummies) inside. We then began our "Around the World" unit, and are now learning about the 7 continents and 5 oceans.

For science, we learned about forces. The two main forces are a push and a pull. Do you know why we do not float off into space? Because the force of gravity pulls us down to the ground. There are all kinds of forces in nature. In math, we covered our geometry and measurement unit.

For Valentine's Day, we made a card for two very special people: our moms and dads. Thank you so much for all the love and care you provide us with every day. We love you! In February, we celebrated four birthdays: Sasha, Saura, Magizhini and Ms. Eri. Happy Birthday, friends! We also welcomed a new friend to Spotted Dolphins: Tanaya. We are so happy to have you!

Kind regards,

The Dolphin Team

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