

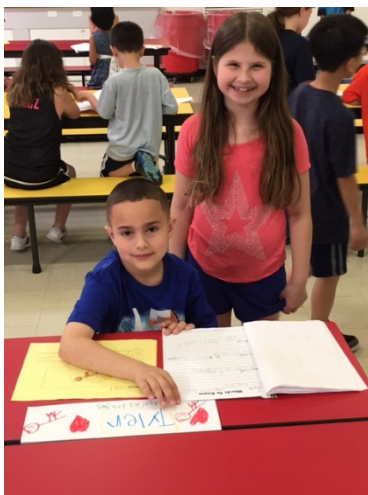
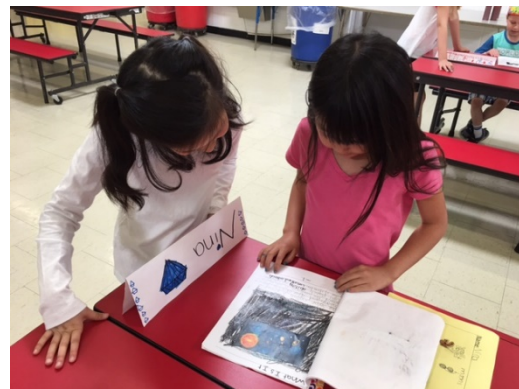
Superintendent's Highlight of the Week June 16, 2017

This week Mrs. Rogers' first grade 'Superstars' at Pasadena celebrated their nonfiction writing with the fourth graders in Mrs. DeRosa and Mrs. Steinberg's class.



The first graders learned how to navigate the **Pebble Go website** on the school I-Pads and began writing down amazing facts they were learning about their topic of interest. This unit of nonfiction study aligns to the Common Core standard which emphasizes the importance of students learning how to recognize facts from nonfiction they are reading as research.

They had fun creating their non-fiction books and added many text features. When creating a table of contents, the 'Superstars' learned how to divide their books into different sections to help the reader find information faster. The glossary helped the students learn new vocabulary words and their meaning.



The 'Superstars' learned how to revise and edit the book they were creating. They talked about ideas for including more descriptive words and adding details and captions to pictures.

At the writing celebration each student shared their favorite fact they learned about their topic. Then there was a meet the author session. The 'Superstars' had the opportunity to read their books multiple times to different fourth graders. They answered questions and shared the fun facts they learned. The fourth graders gave lots of positive feedback and encouraging comments to our young writers. As one fourth grader put it, "I am inspired by all your first graders. They have written such wonderful books".

Pasadena writers are certainly ready for their future !!!