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Second Grade
Week number 2 is in the books. It was a short week filled with lots of fun, joy and learning. We visited Flamig Farm. What an experience!! We saw horses, cows, pigs as well as very sassy alpacas. It was a hot day but we stayed cool by drinking lots of water and feeding the animals in the shade. We were all very brave. Feeding the animals was a messy, stinky job. What a wonderful field trip!! Can’t wait for week number 3. Thank you to our volunteers !!! You rock. Thank you David, Avauni and Hannah.

-Miss Kahn and Miss Psutka

Third Grade
This short week in third grade we focused on reading. During our reading lessons, we learned about Connecticut, especially the 13 original colonies. Our field trip to the farm was amazing! We visited many animals and were able to feed them. We think the animals were excited to meet us. The students enjoyed week 2 of swimming and they are all building their confidence. Have a great weekend!

-Mrs. Hedstrom and Mr. Daley
Fourth Grade

Our second week at Horizons, and while it was short, it was eventful! We took a field trip to Healing Hoofbeats, participated in swimming, STEAM, art, dance, and golf, began to tackle our goal for this week: “Making connections to self and others”, and spent a lot of time trying to stay cool! We continued our learning in math on determining the correct operation to use in multi-step word problems, and in reading we learned to use our background knowledge paired with clues from the text to come up with an inference—a new thought that the author doesn’t directly tell us. We look forward to continuing this learning into next week!

-Mrs. Straker and Ms. Claprood

Sixth Grade

We hope everyone enjoyed the long holiday weekend! Sixth grade kicked off the week with a trip to Hoofbeats where we were able to pet horses and goats! In ELA, we started Refugee by Alan Gratz and it has been a hit! We have been focusing on identifying character traits and using textual evidence to support our answers. In math, we reviewed multiplying fractions and how to simplify them. We played a game of Jeopardy and challenged our mathematical thinking and had lots of fun. We also had a fun-filled kickball rematch with our fifth grade friends, tying the score at 5-5! Stay tuned for next week!

-Ms. Denerville and Ms. Hamilton

Fifth Grade

Grade 5 finished up their reading of “You Wouldn’t Want to Sail on the Mayflower!” We learned some new vocabulary, practiced making inferences and thought about our guiding questions. In Math, we started work on place value and what digits are worth. On Wednesday we traveled to Bethlehem to visit Healing Hoofbeats. Though it was a hot day, we enjoyed meeting the new kittens and other farm dwellers and building an obstacle course for the horses. Our weekly theme was Making Connections to Self and Others. We talked about continuing to make safe and welcoming spaces so we can learn more about each other and deepen our connections. Also ask us about our hidden talents! We are looking forward to Week 3!

-Teacher Jay and Ms. Crawford