

## Hearst Elementary

It's been a fun first month in fifth grade! We've stayed very busy in Mr. Levin's class. In math, we've learned fluency, decimals, place value, and multiplying and dividing exponents. They were hard at first but we get them now. Mr. Levin is fun, loud and very smart.

We also get science this year! We got to pick our own experiments and learned a lot about the world. Some of the things we collected were bamboo, mud and fungus as we made a deeper exploration of everyday materials. A couple of us even kept fungus in water overnight to see what would happen — it ended up getting really stinky!

We know we still have a long way to go, but we are excited for everything coming up. We even have two field trips next week. We also can't wait to learn about algebra, and be totally ready for Deal.

— *Clarke Weathersby,  
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