

Hearst Elementary

Our class has been learning about American symbols.

“Eagles were almost gone from our country ... and I would have been sad if we could not see them anymore,” said Nora. “The pledge we say every day is a promise to protect our country,” said Malcolm.

“I learned that each star on the flag was a state and the stripes are red and white and when I see it it makes me think about all the states in America,” said Sloan. “We love singing ‘You’re a Grand Old Flag’ because it represents America — I we feel like I am with my grandparents that are veterans, and when we sing it we know we are part of the United States of America,” said Aaseyah, Claire and Neil. “I learned that French people gave the Statue of Liberty to America, and that the feet of the Statue of Liberty weighed a lot ... and the spikes on her crown are for the seven oceans,” said Wynter, Claude, Malcolm and Serena. “I also learned that the chains on the Statue of Liberty represented freedom and it is on an island,” said Abigail. “I learned that when you see the American flag on top of the White House, the president is home,” said Soren. “All of the symbols help us know what country we live in,” said Wynter. Finally, when we played “The Star-Spangled Banner,” Ryan jumped for joy and shouted, “That’s the D.C. United theme song!”

— Ms. Prince and Mrs. Whittaker's kindergarten class