School wide we worked together to process our grief around Ann Long's death. Thank you for providing home lunches. On the bright side it provided opportunities for nutrition discussions and for unpacking and packing up their lunch boxes.

On Monday we talked about George Washington and noted his image on the one-dollar bill and quarter. Reinforcing the name and value of the coins (penny and quarter) is something that you can continue to do at home. Miss Sally joined us and worked on ABAB patterns. Ongoing we have been doing a lot of patterning but moving to a more abstract identification of them (ABAB) vrs blue, green, blue, green is new.

Most of the other new works were related to Chinese New Year. The storm postponed our lantern festival and dragon dance.

Practical Life/Art
- Noodle spooning transfer
- Chopsticks squeezing/matching
- Leo Lionni inspired mouse paintings
- Chinese lanterns
- Wet Chalk on black paper to illustrate fireworks.
- Using a fan
- Lacing circle

Language
- Visual matching of Chinese zodiac signs
- We continued to read Leo Lionni stories with *Alexander and the Wind Up Mouse* being a favorite.
- Handwriting, letter Ll

Math
- Tally marks with quarter coin flips
- Chinese Zodiac board game w/die.

History
- Washington's birthday

Science
- Introduction to Mammals.

Music:
- Posters of the instrument groups were shared to give them larger images to help them relate to the sounds they have been hearing in Peter and the Wolf.

Cultural:
- Asia is our new continent

**Calendar updates:**

**March 8-12:** Spirit Week  
Monday - Pajama Day/Classroom Olympics  
Tuesday - International Day  
Thursday - Wacky Hair Day  
Friday - Opposite Day/Classroom Olympics

**March 12:** Island Commons Field Trip  
**May 25:** Arts Night 6pm

*Thank you for sharing your children - Miss Nancy*