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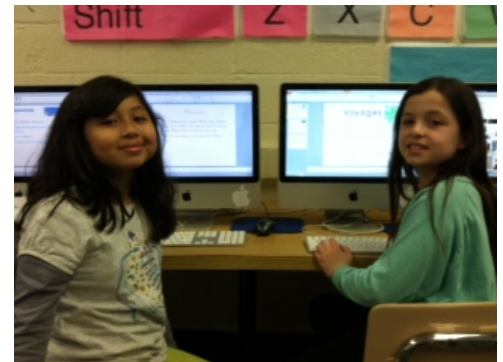
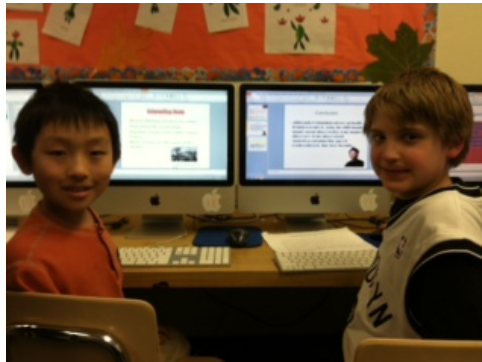
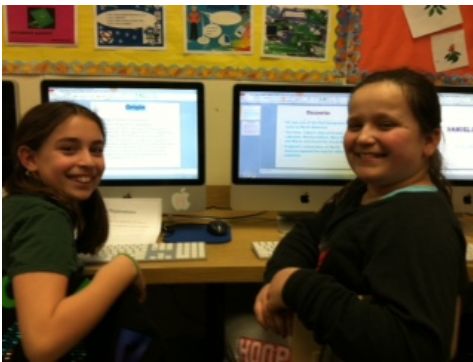


Berry Hill Weekly Buzz

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Fourth Grade Nonfiction Research Projects



Berry Hill Fourth Graders have been busy working on Nonfiction Research Projects in Reading Workshop. In connection with their Social Studies Unit on Explorers, they have been learning to navigate complex nonfiction text sets using critical, analytical lenses. The students were organized into groups to study different explorers such as Christopher Columbus, John Cabot, Samuel de Champlain and Henry Hudson. In class and in the library, the groups read various books and articles to gather research about their explorer. The students then worked together to organize their information in the form of a *PowerPoint* presentation. Their presentations included information about the origin, sponsors, destination, voyages and discoveries of their explorer, as well as nonfiction text features such as pictures, captions, maps and charts. As a culminating activity, the “experts” used their *PowerPoint* presentations to teach their peers important facts about their explorer.

Dates to Remember

- **PTA Book Fair:** **Thursday, March 20, 2014**
- **NYSSMA :** **Friday and Saturday, March 21 and 22, 2014, Levels I – IV, Cold Spring Harbor High School**

Have a wonderful weekend!
Sincerely,

Joanne Mannion, Principal