5th grade has been a blast so far! In math, we have been through whole numbers (multiplying and dividing by 10, 100, 1000), order of operations, and multiplication and division (large numbers). In reading, we did biography research on a famous American and have since been working on our American Revolution (historical fiction) book clubs. Writing has been all about personal narratives; we are getting close to finishing. Science started off with living systems and learning about everyday systems, the Earth system, kelp forest food web, recycling, yeast nutrition, plant nutrition, and animal nutrition. In social studies, we learned our states and capitals, reviewed government, and studied about the election. Since then, we have been working on our national parks project which combines both social studies and science. The class has been asked to come up with a demonstration for their park that shows either a physical or chemical change. Topics that have been completed for our project are geography, history, and climate. Students have also been learning to take notes, paraphrase, use in-text citations, and use a bibliography.