**Foundations**

**4th Quarter Overview**

* Studied the U.S. Constitution and memorized the preamble
* Presentation of the Constitutional Convention of 1787- each student represented a Founding Father/Contributor and state that took part in ratifying this great document. They each studied a compromise that took place at the convention, eventually writing and performing skits dramatizing the event. (These were fantastic, by the way!)
* Studied the events leading up to the Civil War, a some of the particular battles that took place
* Took a closer look at Abraham Lincoln, the Emancipation Proclamation and the Gettysburg Address
* Each student wrote a report on a Key Individual of the Civil War
* Studied the state’s sovereignty/rights issues, and the slave issue
* Studied the Underground Railroad and key individuals that took part in that amazing freedom “run”
* Discussed the reaction of the freed slaves and the many attitudes that carried into the mid 1900s- Segregation and racism in the south, particularly
* Discussed the Civil Rights movement, watched “The Rosa Parks Story”