

## KDS Gifted Students Visit Sci-Quest

On March 17, the gifted classes from KDS in grades 3 through 5 took a trip to the hands on science center, Sci-Quest in Huntsville, Alabama. Seventy-one students, which included the gifted classes from the other elementary and middles schools in Marshall County, embarked on a mission to explore the world of science.



Students had the opportunity to perform surgery on a giant “operation” game board. They were amazed as a tornado formed before their eyes in the twister booth.



Playing the giant xylophones was a hit with the students, as well as the teamwork required to create a water channel in the water table. Students had the opportunity to “engineer” bridges and dams to affect the water flow. The earthquake simulator was a popular attraction. It not only explained earthquakes, but was a fun ride! A favorite, of course, was the Grossology display, which scientifically explained how one burps and how vomiting occurs! In addition to experimenting with holograms, radars, and heat sensors, the students each had the opportunity to participate in a workshop called “Glow in the Dark Science”.



*The Channel 19 news station and meteorological green screen gave students the chance to take on the role of a real life meteorologist giving the weather forecast on television.*



*These students enjoyed getting to meet the Bearded Dragon which resides at Sci-Quest.*

At the end of the day, everyone agreed that Sci-Quest is a great way to experience science “up close and hands on”.