

Mandala School Newsletter

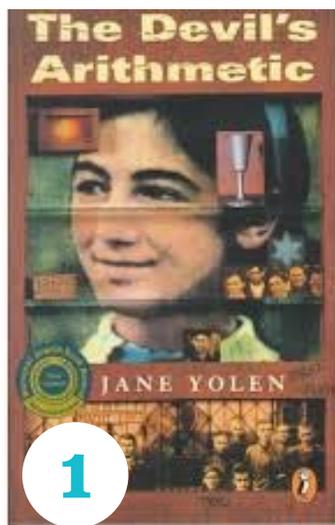


Blob tag at the Boys and Girls Club, ages ranging from 5-27

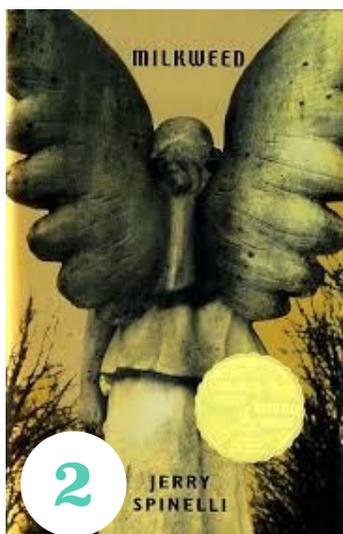
Three Novels, A World of Knowledge

Each reading group has completed their historical fiction novel

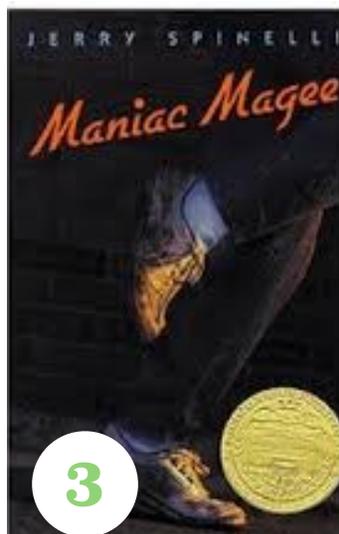
The Devil's Arithmetic and Milkweed both focus on the struggle of Jewish children through the Holocaust while Maniac Magee explores racial tensions in mid-century Philadelphia. Ask your child what they thought!



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Creative Math

Trivia: How many Zekes long is the front room?



Chess Masters in the Making

Thai and Ethan in the heat of a battle of the brains.



Cookies or brownies?

Jessie, Merrick, and Shanti make "brookies" for the school.

Jessie says, "My fellow cooks are stressful."

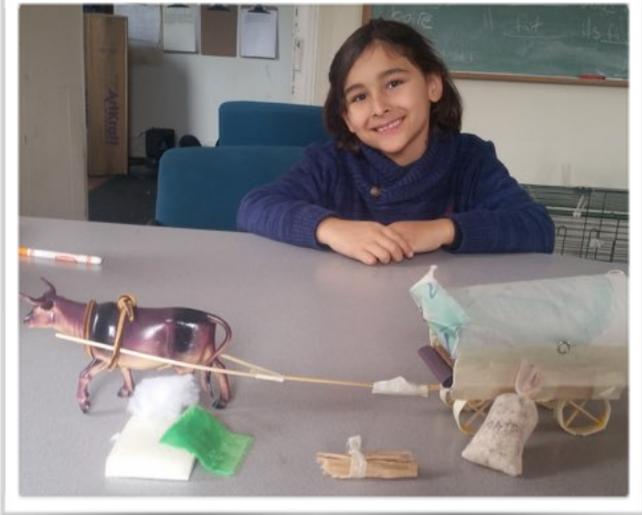
Covered Wagons and Pioneers

The younger students explored the lives of Pioneers and the struggles they faced

What started with a read-aloud book developed into a full history unit of the Pioneers and their lives. Students listened to Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder while documenting their own fictional

trek across the Great Plains. Students wrote diary entries, illustrated their journeys, and constructed covered wagons.

The Oregon Trail computer game helped to illustrate necessary supplies needed and the hardships



faced by this brave group of people. We also discussed the impact of the Pioneers and Westward Expansion on the Native Americans.

“It was fun, I worked hard at it and learned about the Pioneers.”
- Martin



Thai with his covered wagon

The World Game is Well Underway!
Teams are working together to survive in ancient times. Tools, trading, sacrifice, and collaboration are core necessities for survival. Ask your child how their survival is going!

TAKING ADVANTAGE OF CLIMATE CHANGE

Students braved the late-season snowfall to enjoy some fresh air. A version of horseshoes involving a hoola-hoop was improvised as well.

“Ethan was holding the hoola-hoop and we were diving through it at first. Then we started playing catch with it and I think Joseph started trying to throw it around the post.” says Rowan.

Our students enjoy daily outside activities, often walking around town to attend yoga, music, and recreation time, rain, snow, or sun!

