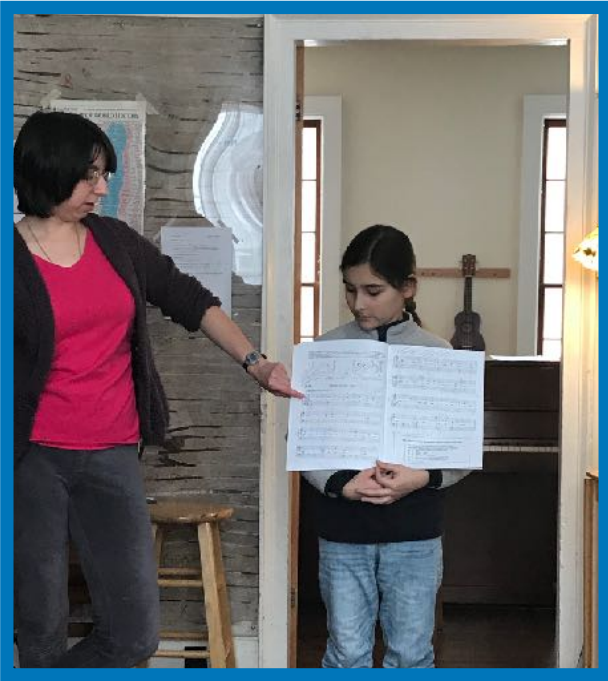


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Scientific Research

Brick, Charlie, and Felix have begun a biographical study of some of the most influential scientists. Brick is working on Jane Goodall, Charlie is studying the life and work of Dian Fossey, and Felix is going to learn about Frank and John Craighead.



Musical Performances *Written by Brick & Charlie*

Charlie, Brick, Felix, Ted, Sophia, and Marty worked for two months, starting off learning five different rhythms, along with learning how to understand micro and macro beats. Miss Laura assigned the second step: creating your own rhythm. Then it was time to make our own composition. The composition had to consist of four of the five prepared rhythms and one of your own. We practiced until Miss Laura thought we were ready to present. We were nervous but we knew we could do it. It was 1:00 on Wednesday, we practiced hard, and before we knew it the audience hushed to hear us play. We played trying our hardest not to mess up... we did it! We made it through all three compositions. We made it successfully. We learned a lot and had fun doing it.

Following the group performance, Martin made his solo debut on the piano.

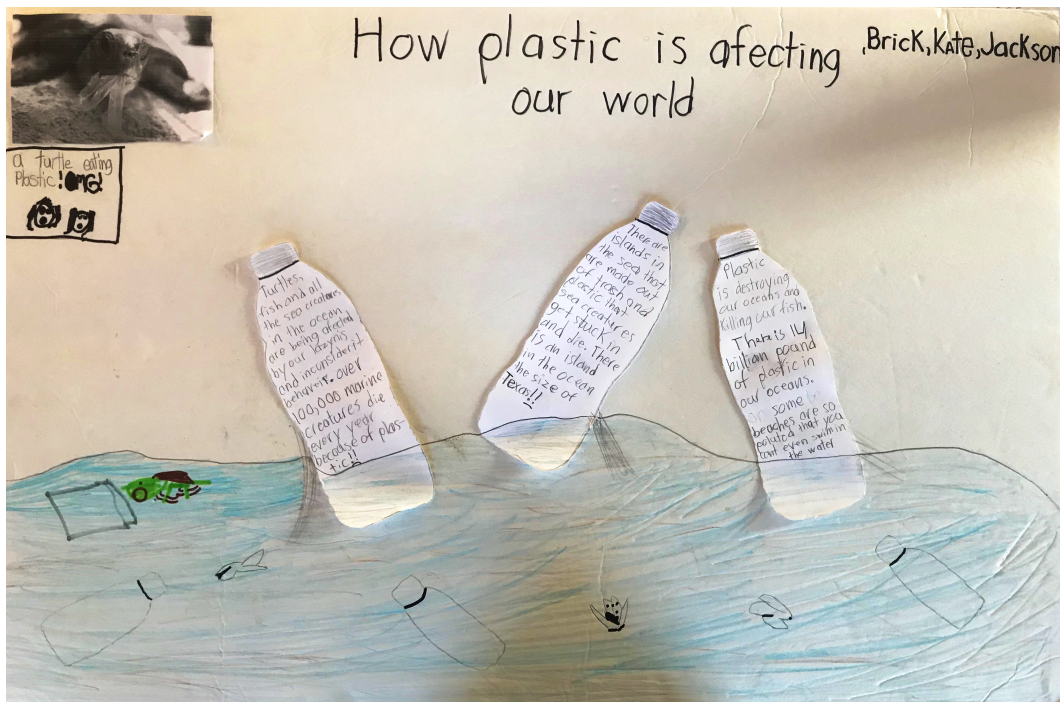
STUDENT OF THE WEEK: BRICK

A student of the week interview: By Charlie Benfanti

- What is your name?- **Brick (Brico)**
- What world problem would you fix?- **Climate change**
- Where do you live?- **Hamburg NY**
- What is your greatest fantasy?- **Being on the Yankees**
- What is your most prized possession?- **My penny collection**
- Have you had any supernatural experiences?- **I saw a green alien in Jellystone park.**
- How would you describe yourself?- **Intelligent**
- What is your favorite video game?- **Call Of Duty**
- If you could go anywhere where would it be?- **Jamaica**
- What do you like to do in your spare time?- **Play video games**
- What is your favorite book?- **Hatchet**
- What is your favorite food?- **Sushi**
- What is your favorite color?- **Blue**
- What is your favorite place you've been?- **Florida**
- What is your favorite subject?- **Science**



Photo By Charlie



DID YOU KNOW?
There are
approximately 14
BILLION
POUNDS of
plastic in our
oceans?

You may remember our plastic projects from a few months ago. Well, Brick and his group were voted winners for their beautiful poster and engaging presentation. Since then, we have noticed a lot of wasted water at Mandala, specifically from plastic water bottles. We dump about one each day. We are challenging YOU and your family to stop using plastic water bottles. While the kids at Mandala are in school they can drink from their mugs, which are left at the school, or from a reusable water bottle. Exiling plastic bottles from our everyday use will help save water, reduce the plastic waste going into our environment, especially the ocean, and save you money!