

Mandala School Newsletter

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*Please join us
this Wednesday!*
25 Pine St., East Aurora

On Tuesday, we put our washing skills to the test! We tried different washing strategies then touched a piece of white bread and placed it in a sealed bag. Our experiment will compare washing your hands with warm water and soap for 20 seconds, cold water and soap for 20 seconds, only warm water, only cold water, hand sanitizer, and no washing at all! We also rubbed a slice of bread on the handle of the microwave. The final slice was our "control" that was not touched by anything. We will use this as our benchmark. In a few days we will see the results!

AN EVENING TO SUPPORT THE **MANDALA SCHOOL**

THE WAY LEARNING SHOULD BE:
KIND, CREATIVE, PERSONAL.



MARCH 11TH, 2020 | 6PM-10PM
MUSIC: THE MAJOR 3RDS @ 7PM
42 NORTH BREWING



Freshly baked bread, figs, dates, pomegranate seeds, lentils, chickpeas, and more were shared as a celebration for the World Game completion of ancient Egypt.

The younger students have each used research time this week to learn about one of the many ancient Egyptian Gods or Goddesses.

The oldest group has created several artifacts for their multilayered diorama of ancient civilizations. So far they have studied the first humans in Africa, and ancient Egypt. Come in and check it out!



Student of the Week: Nolan

Nolan is a kind young boy who is eager to learn and loves books! He is nine years old and a veteran at Mandala. In his spare time he likes to read, play boardgames, play with his friends, and play video games.

Nolan enjoys learning about World War II because it is a lot worse than WWI. The weapons were more advanced. The most interesting thing he learned about WWII was that Hitler was very odd. He had two brothers, one of which ran away at the age of 14. The other was 6 and died of Polio. People reported him for staring up at the stars near the cemetery and talking to trees!

Out of all the places he has been, his favorite was an RV. He was on vacation and his friends had an RV and he really liked it. He doesn't remember where it was but he knows he loved it.

He has written many stories and his favorite so far is *Corn Syrup*, which is about a zombie apocalypse caused by the consumption of corn syrup.

If he had to choose, ducks would be his favorite bird because they are very interactive and he was once bit by one.

Fifty years from now, Nolan thinks people will be able to live on the moon. He assumes the world will have gone through at least one world revolution and that many ancient structures will have collapsed or been destroyed. Regardless, Nolan thinks he will be comfortable at home with at least 100 cats.

100 Days by Nolan

Mandala has just reached its 100th day of school. Now that we are 100 day into the school year, it seems that there have been so many changes. Many kids have left, many kids have come. We are all now 100 days smarter.

So many days have gone by, but it only feels like a week. So many breaks, so many books, so many topics, so many pieces of paper filled up in notebooks, so many feet have walked in the door, so many pencils have been sharpened and broken, so many recs, so many classes have gone by, so many instruments have been play, so many stories written... but it only feels like a week.

100 morning meetings. We've discussed topics like current events, books reports, new ideas, and new questions. Many art projects have been finished but it only feels like a few. Many lunches have come and gone. So many why did the chicken cross the road jokes, but it only felt like a week. The next 100 days will only feel like 14 days!



We're ready for summer, are you?
register today & save

Mandala Summer Camp

East Aurora, NY

At Mandala, we believe spending time in nature harnesses an appreciation for all living things. We learn to observe and peacefully interact with our natural environment through creative play and art.



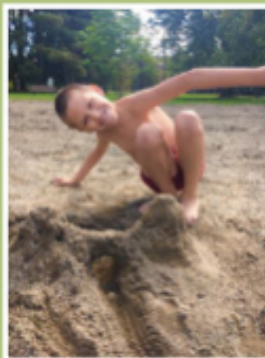
Join us for 1-3 weeks of, ecology & environmental studies, yoga, woodworking, outdoor adventures, art workshops, music, and more!

- ❖ Weekly art classes with **MUSEjar**
- ❖ Outdoor activities everyday!
- ❖ Thursday night camping trips

Week 1: July 6th - 10th
Week 2: July 13th - 17th
Week 3: July 20th - 24th
8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.



for ages
5-12



Contact Kelsey
to register:
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kelsey@mandalaschool.org



www.Mandalaschool.org

Early Bird Special	March 1st - March 18th	\$320/week
At Cost	March 19th - May 1st	\$340/week
Last chance	May 2nd - June 24th	\$350/week

Discounts (available all 3 weeks):
10% discount for siblings & Mandala students
5% discount for multiple weeks

Compare Mandala summer camp to current babysitting costs, Mandala costs less and offers more.

Current babysitting rates:
\$10 per hour = \$400/week
\$12 per hour = \$480/week
\$15 per hour = \$600/week

Weekly activities, registration, & payment can be found
at www.mandalaschool.org/services

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Going Green & Staying Green

Friday morning students reviewed our **Carry In, Carry Out** policy. This means, whatever trash is brought into Mandala must be taken home. We do have recycling and compost bins, so many materials can be placed into those categories.

Since last year this policy has forced some adjustments in our daily lives, but now most of us are used to producing minimal waste. Mandala, which homes 21 people on a daily basis, put out less than one garbage bin every month.

Mud season is here...
or almost here!



Please pack appropriate clothing and footwear as we will be outside more and more in the coming weeks!

If you'd like to keep extra clothes here please send in a bag with student's name.
Thank you!