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Now Enrolling for 2020-2021 School Year

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We have used Mad Libs to review parts of speech using this free generator, <http://www.redkid.net/madlibs/>
Here's one by Ms. Kelsey's Writing Group (Zachary, Finn, & Jackson):



Our School

Mandala School is one of America's **biggest** institutions of **loud** learning. The student body is composed of **5** males and **7** **toads**. The **toads** get the best grades. Students can eat lunch in the **thin** cafeteria, which features boiled **pictures** and **Taylor Swift** sandwiches, with all the **Coca Cola** they can drink, for only 74 cents. The principal of the school, **Ariana Grande**, is raising money to build a new **toad** laboratory and a new football **cat**. Any student who goes to this school can consider himself very **floppy**.



Next week: bring your favorite fairy tale to morning meeting Tuesday or Wednesday!

Wednesday's Reading & Research class with Ms. Kelsey will be Show & Tell. Please bring **one** thing to share

The older students have been working hard researching and learning about Ancient Greece. Some of their topics include Gods & Goddesses, war & conflict, philosophy & government, stories & theatre, and the olympics. See some of their work on pages 2 & 3

Granola Bars: A quick, easy, healthy-ish snack by Ms. Kelsey

3 cups of Old Fashioned Oats
1 1/2 cups of chopped nuts & seeds (use whatever you like. I used walnuts, hazelnuts, almonds, and pumpkin seeds)
6 tbsp. unsalted butter, cut into 6 pieces
1/2 cup brown sugar, packed
1/3 cup honey
1/2 tsp. salt
1 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
1 cup chocolate chips (or dried fruit) I use 1/2 chips & 1/2 craisins

1. Preheat oven to 350
2. spread oats and nuts over a baking sheet lined with parchment paper & bake for 10 minutes
3. Stir, and bake for 10 more minutes
4. Remove from oven, pour into a large bowl and set aside.
5. In a medium sauce pan combine butter, brown sugar, honey, and salt over medium-low heat. Stir until butter is melted and all ingredients are combined.
6. Remove from heat and add vanilla
7. Pour the butter mixture over the oats and nuts and stir. If you're using dried fruit, add that now
8. allow mixture to cool (~10 mins.), add chocolate chips and stir
9. Pour granola into a 9x9" pan (I use 8x8 for thicker bars) and press down with a spatula or hands.
10. Refrigerate for 1 hour to harden then cut into bars & enjoy!

"The word Delphi comes from the Greek word for dolphin. It is said that Apollo got on board a dolphin to ride from Crete to Delphi. There, after Apollo killed a local monster he created the Oracle at Delphi. When he created the Oracle he gave it the power of prophecy because he was the god of future telling." -Ria



"According to the *Iliad* there was an entire race of cyclopes who lived on the island of Sicily. In the *Iliad* the cyclopes are described as simple but savage goat and sheep herders. Polyphemus is the most popular of the cyclopes. He is the cyclopes who captured Odysseus and his crew, but they escaped by blinding Polyphemus." -Juan



Let's get cooking!

Send us your favorite family recipe to be added into our Mandala Cookbook. We will compile them and send out a copy when it is complete! Kids are encouraged to draw cover art and send it in as well! Please email photos or share a doc with Ms. Leah to have your recipe(s) added! leah@mandalaschool.org

CASSIOPEIA:

- QUEEN IN ANCIENT GREEK MYTHOLOGY OF WHAT IS BELIEVED TO BE MODERN DAY ETHIOPIA
- SHE BRAGGED SHE WAS MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN THE SEA NYMPHS (SPIRITS OF SEA) CALLED THE NEREIDS
- HER BRAGGING ANGERED THE GOD OF THE SEA, POSEIDON, WHO SENT A SEA MONSTER, CETUS, TO DESTROY THE KINGDOM
- THE ONLY WAY TO SAVE THE KINGDOM WAS TO CHAIN CASSIOPEIA'S DAUGHTER, PRINCESS ANDROMEDA TO THE SEA WALL AS A SACRIFICE



Thank you to Cris Lauback for this beautiful carving of an oystercatcher. We will all enjoy it when we get back to school.



Facts & Drawing of Cassiopeia
by Zachary

Ama in math class. Today, we took a break from learning about coins and money for a little review. Ama did a fantastic job with addition, subtraction, and word problems!



Relationship between French and English

By Juan

English is a Germanic language with French and Latin influence. 45% to 52% of all English words have a French origin.

This can be explained by the Norman Invasion of England in 1066 by William the Conqueror and the linguistic influence that lasted four centuries.

English people spoke Old English and French became the language of the aristocracy. English noblemen learned it at the universities of Oxford and Cambridge until the end of the 14th century.

The Canterbury Tales by Chaucer

The Tales of Canterbury written by Geoffrey Chaucer between 1387 and 1400 contributed to popularize English as a literary language as opposed to French, latin or Italian.

The Tales represented fictional characters and depicted the customs and practices of the time. The book shows a society controlled by the church but very concerned about worldly things.



Canterbury Cathedral (above)
Page of the original edition (below)



Student Art Projects, based on the Native American creation story about the creation of Turtle Island. Devin's, Juan's, Zachary's, Sachin's (clockwise beginning with top left)

