Mandala School Newsletter welcome back edition

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After nearly six months apart, Mandala teachers and students are reunited with each other! We could not be happier to be back at our schoolhouse with many new students, an outdoor program, and a fresh appreciation for learning! It will surely be a unique year but we are ready to go and make the best of it!

E-mail Kelsey to join our newsletter mailing list to see what we're up to each week at Mandala: kelseyz@mandalaschool.org

Check out what we did this week!



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Students lead the morning meeting discussion on the second day of school after noticing the moon right above us at 8:30 in the morning! Some questions arose: Why can we see the moon during the day? How did the moon form? What is it made out of? Why is it called a quarter when it looks like a half?

My Dream School By Finn

You get all the candy you want. You share stuff with your friends. You can do whatever you want. You can do magic. There are robots everywhere. You can run away. You can sleepover overnight. You will go to Kyle's school when you turn sixteen. It is at Mars. There are animals running loose everywhere. I live at the Emerald Tower. Often, Kyle's students run into my school.





Students were lucky the 1st & 2nd days of school landed on art days! Above Starlight (left) and Jackson (right) work on their self portraits... with masks of course!



Katie writes a story about her dream school in writing class



Graham uses base-10 blocks in math class to review subtraction with borrowing





Our 2020-2021 kindergarteners

This week at Mandala we walked to different parks in East Aurora, learned outside, wrote interesting stories, and made new friends. We helped Dr. John clean the old patio to make it a picnic spot by shoveling all of the soil of the stones to put in our garden. Some of us also started taking new languages such as Spanish and French. At art class some of us also made self portraits. Every morning at our morning meeting we all talked about many different topics. During our free time some of us chose to have fun on the playground. During our reading class we got to pick out a book from the Mandala library to read whenever we like. As you can see, these first couple of days at Mandala have been amazing.

By: Kate M. and Katelyn

My Dream School By Elena

At my dream school you could bring stuffed animals to school and walk to the park. The kids can learn what they want to. It would be in East Aurora. You would have fun and you could bring your pets to school. You could have field trips to the beach. You bring blankets and pillows to sleep over at my dream school. It would be small. The teachers would be so nice. There would only be good kids. You could write or draw whenever you want. You would learn French at school. There would be no SMART boards. Little kids and big kids can come. There would be a music and art teacher.





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This week in Mandala I had so much fun! I had an art class and we made a creative self portrait. We also got to go to Hamlin Park for our first writing class! We were able to write about anything! This week we started learning French and Spanish! For one of our math classes we played a crazy math game and we had to try and figure out how to win every time! We also learned that this year we have Kate, Kate, Katelyn, and Katie! We also have 5 sets of siblings! After our last class of the day, we got to help Dr.John fix up the patio! We pulled weeds, swept, and shoveled dirt into a wheelbarrow! Clearly, this week was so exciting!

By: Ria