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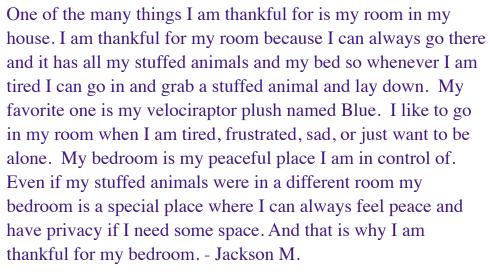


Playing games in math!

Right: Millie coloring in her and Nolan's owl for their project on the barn owl Below: Starlight and Omunique

write facts for their project on

Snowy owls









Above: Devin wearing his mask from art class
Left: Flora built a magnificent castle for her book report! It had a drawbridge, a balcony, flags, and even a pulley system to pull water up from the moat.

## Student of the Week: Ria

Ria is a kind, enthusiastic, and interesting eleven year old who is fun to be around. Her favorite school subject is math, and she has become interested in weaving. Her favorite animals are the sloth, the cow, the otter, and the camel.

"I love sloths because they are fuzzy, gorgeous, and their babies have the cutest faces!" She explained.

Her favorite snack is the raspberry, she also enjoys strawberries and blackberries.

Some places that Ria wants to go to are London and Greenland. A few of Ria's favorites:

- She enjoys Christmas music because it's very exciting and upbeat.
- Ria enjoys Christmas movies and films, and enjoys Christmas themed stuff in general.
- Her favorite holiday is Christmas (Or Halloween) because of the lights, the stars atop the Christmas trees, the snow mounds and hills, the sledding, the movies, the decorations, and the gingerbread houses.

When Ria is older she wants to be a teacher in kindergarten, first, and second grade. If Ria could do anything she would like to make a gingerbread town with frosting and sprinkles. If she could have and superpower, it would be invisibility.

Interview by Juan





Elena and Sachin show off their weaving projects. Both of them were patient and careful as they worked!





In math we have been working on a combination of algebra and graphing. We use the "number machine" to get the points then we graph them. We put a number into the number machine, it uses an equation, then gives a number back. The "in" number is the x value and the "out" number is the y value. If the equation is something like y = 4x + 3, we get a line on the graph that crosses the y-axis at +3 and has a slope of 4/1. By "the Kates", Ria, Katelyn, & Sarah

In music we learned about Gustav Holst. He really liked the planets and wanted to create a large scale symphony with songs for all of the planets except for Earth. He didn't really think Earth counted as a planet. One of them, Mars, was an inspiration for the Star Wars theme song. By Jackson & Katelyn