

# Mandala School Newsletter

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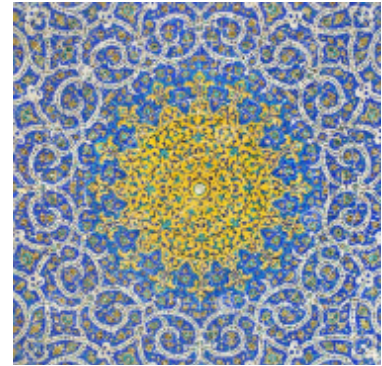
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Writing classes have been productive this week. Usually, this time of year the students are writing remarkable stories and developing a better understanding of the English language.



Arabesque art uses a lot of patterns showing God's infinite love. It also uses mostly blue, red, white and yellow colors. Most of the shapes start as a circle, but other geometric shapes can be made. Islamic people use this art on buildings, like mosques, on furniture, and in their daily life. Written by Sachin



In math we have been practicing deconstructing numbers. To deconstruct 29 you can split it into 17 and 12, 10 plus 10 plus 9,  $20 + 9$ , 15 and 14, 13 and 16, and many more! All of them are equal to 29. We are learning to do math in our head by trying to find the tens. We also played a trading game with blocks. You roll a dice and if you get a 3 or any number that you can make 3 out of, you can take 1 orange. For example, if you roll a 6 you can take two oranges. Three oranges get you a yellow and three yellows gets you a blue. The blue is the highest score. Kyle won the first round. By: Katie



Playing "Oh, Deer!" at recess.



Math class engineering a bridge using only paper.





## Student of the week: Millie

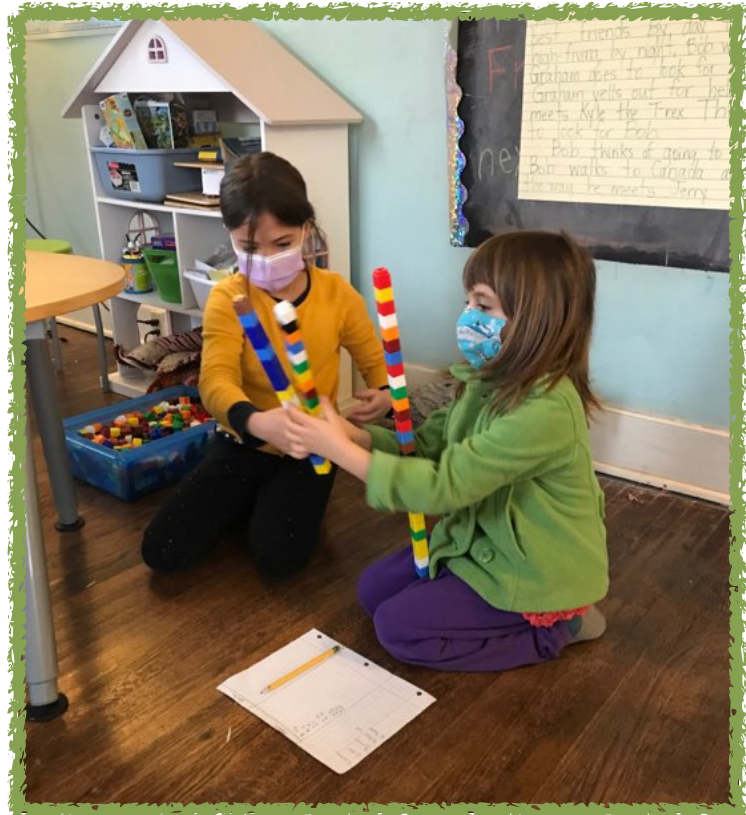
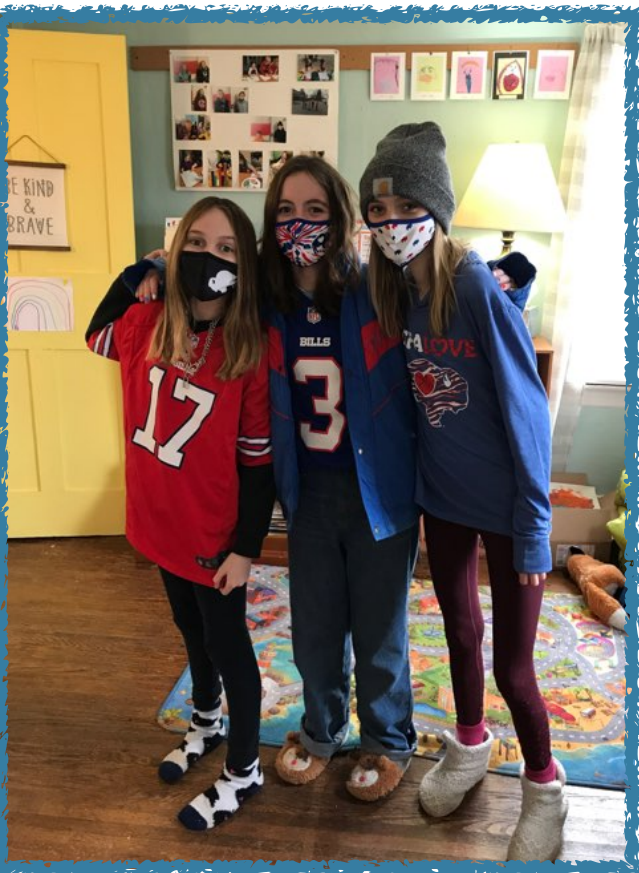
Emilia is five years old. We call her Millie. Her friends say she is the best, she's creative, she's awesome, she's nice, she likes to play, she's funny, and she's a good friend. Her favorite car is a minivan. She loves purple, pink and red. When she grows up she wants to be a vet and take care of a lot of dogs, because that's her favorite animal. She has a jack russell terrier named Daisy. She loves wearing dresses. Pepperoni pizza is the best. Strawberries and apples are her favorite fruit. Millie likes to build Legos. She loves art just like her mom. Millie wanted to tell us:

"My mom is really good at art. Her art is great. Daisy, Zachary, Mom and Dad are my family. I like the decorations in our house. I have rainbows in my room. Everything in there is rainbows. Christmas is my favorite holiday, and summer! The best day of my life was when I got Daisy. She barks at people and she barks when you knock. *Biscuit* is my favorite book and all the Eric Carle books, too. Free time is my favorite part about school. My favorite show is *Big City Greens*. *Frozen* is my favorite movie. I have a dog puzzle. It's my favorite. Disney World is my favorite place to go."

*Interview by Starlight, Flora, Bryce, Kyle, & Graham*

## Let's Go Buffalo!

Many students wore their Bills gear today to show support for the Buffalo Bills in their 2nd playoff game (tomorrow).



Katie & Ama measuring with blocks





Left: Ms. Leah teaches a group how to roll sushi  
 Right: Elena & Zachary give it a try  
 Below: Starlight practices using chopsticks



My friend is a banana.  
 The banana's name is Dana.  
 Dana said to me, "Daddy eats a lot of cheese."  
 "Oh no," I said. "Hopefully he doesn't freeze."  
 Joe the from Moe's walked up to me.  
 "Here have a burrito." Said Joe as he gave a burrito.  
 "No!" I screamed. "Burritos are no no's!"  
 I got blinded.  
 "What a day." I thought to myself.  
 By: Zachary

The younger student finished their Eric Carle artworks this week and they turned out to be AMAZING! The whole process took a few days. Now they are working on writing stories to go with their art. Above are Graham's, *The Very Angry Lizard*; Flora's, *The Very Happy Shark*; and Millie's *The Very Happy Chameleon*.