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Scenes from before Morning Meeting

Left: Ella crocheting

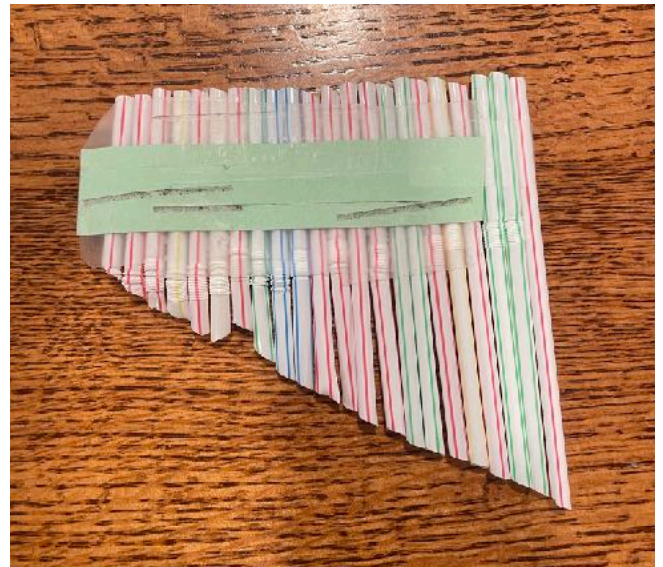
*Right: Jackson reads by the fire
while his brother Kyle ponders how
the day will go.*



📖 Book Reports 📖 by Johnny

This week we had a lot of nice book reports. For example we have The Beatles that Bryce did. He played one of their most famous songs on the guitar. Next, we have Charlotte who did A Long Walk to Water. We also have Mira who did a book called Hope's Revolutionary War Diary. Sachin read, Who Were the Navajo Code Talkers? He also made a board game. Next we have Ella who did Shaq. She told us how tall he was his whole life and his shoe size, also what he did for the community. These are just some of the many presentations we had. Sorry if I did not write yours here, I just wrote at random. I hope you enjoyed!

The last two classes in music we have been learning about the God Pan and how Pan got the pan flute the story is very interesting and in the next class we made our own pan flute out of straws. By Sachin



A poem by Ella:

I was reading a book.
Then I woke up in a little nook.
The nook was warm and cozy,
And I just happened to be nosey.
I stumbled upon
A cute baby fawn.
I walked to the fawn with corn in my hand,
Then I fell into a pit of blue sand.
I luckily landed on the baby fawn
He was gone.
I got up and saw a chest
In a Louis Vuitton vest.
It was the best.
Then i had to take a test,
I had to find questions to answers.
I found out I was a professional dancer.
I met a boy,
His name was Troy.
He was the fawn's dad. He was really mad.
And I am an undergrad.
I never finished elementary school.
I am a fool,
In a pool
Of deep blue Jello.
Then it turned yellow,
I started playing cello
Then I fell out of the book
I was shook.
The end



“What are you doing in math?” you’re asking.
Well I will tell you. I, Omunique, am working on multiplying, dividing, adding, and subtracting fractions. We switched teachers after about two months of school.

Before we switched I was working on number machines but with really hard rules, like 7 goes in and 56 would come out. Over time it got easier and I started to work in fractions with Ms. Leah. Before we switched to Dr. John we were just focusing on making fractions into decimals and making fractions in general. Then we switched.

We also are working on our mental math with Dr. John. We play this game where he says a number times itself or by another number and we have to answer it without using a calculator or counting with our fingers or writing the numbers down. Like so $4 \times 6 = 24$

Dr. John says “Mental math is key to everything.”
And I totally agree.

By: Omunique

Student of the Week: Zachary

Zachary has been a student at Mandala for three years. He's a fun and exciting person with a great personality. Zach is a fabulous writer mainly with his creative stories. Watching his creative way of presenting his work always makes the other students smile and laugh.

When he's bored in his free time he likes to listen to music, especially by his favorite person Taylor Swift. He also enjoys watching his favorite show, *Wednesday*. When not doing these things he likes to play outside with some of his friends.

Zachary says that if he could make three wishes in life he would wish for world peace, to end climate change, and for seven million dollars. He loves NYC and would love to live there. If he were to ever open up a restaurant he would sell sushi because that is his all-time favorite food.

By: Charlotte W. & Sarah

Writing Class
by Mira

We were writing about a trap door with a box in it and now we are doing a free write. Most of the kids did a second chapter of the trap door story. For my free write I did the second part of Kitty Wood, a story I wrote a month ago.

We were doing a lab packet and we had a partner and basically there were a bunch of different minerals on the table but we didn't know what each of them were. So we had to run it through tests to find out the color, luster (how shiny it is), and the hardness. To find the hardness there were a bunch of different tests. Scratching it with your finger nail was the first test, scratching it on a glass plate. Then we dropped dilute hydrochloric acid on the mineral and you would see if it would fizz or if it would make a sound-which is a sign that its not normal. We were keeping notes of each reaction. Then there was a sheet with all the qualities of the minerals so we could match them to our notes. Katelyn and I had quartz.

By Sarah



HAPPY 11th
BIRTHDAY ELENA! 🎈

*The fish are stirring,
The dragonflies are whirring,
The birds are flirting,
It's spring.*

*I shall give the fish a treat,
A little piece of meat,
I shall not fish for them today,
There's a crane on its way.*

*As the crane shows up,
Its wings roar over the waterfalls,
I back away,*

*I sit and watch as the crane goes looking,
Through the bush for something small,
Like a little crawfish,
And then flies away.*

That was spring.

by Will