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Left: Juniper dressed up for work at the Mandala Cafe. Miss Kelsey set up a new play space in the primary room, *The Mandala Cafe*. The kids can be a cashier, barista, chef, waiter or a customer. They are having fun and learning important skills along the way.

In Math we are doing individual practice, Dr. John gave us a green folder with a new math worksheet everyday. I just finished decimal multiplication and I am starting algebra and Katie is multiplying decimals. I really like math, and I am glad I am in Dr. John's class. By Stella

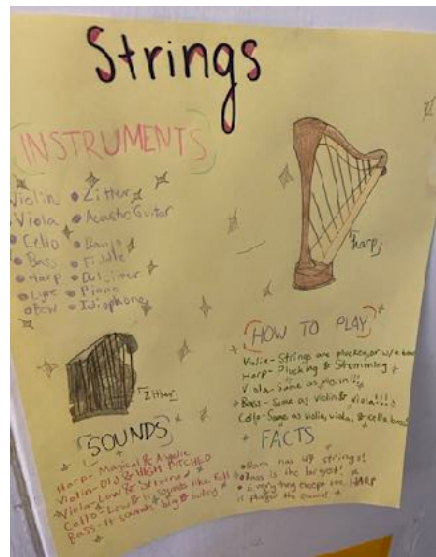
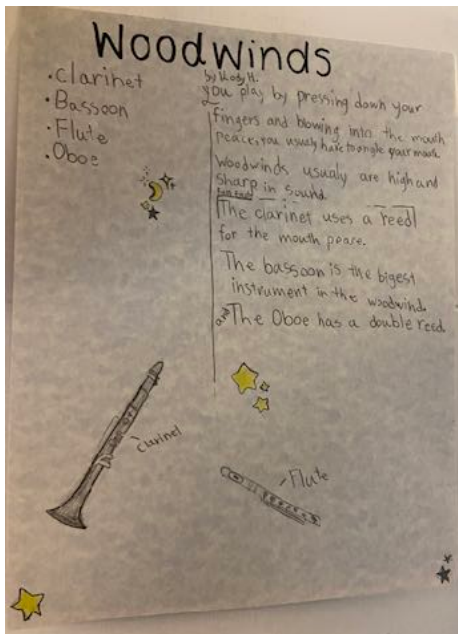
Earth Day
By: Vienna

Earth Day is on Monday and Mandala is going to Sprague Brook park to celebrate. We want to get outside and be in nature! The first Earth Day was in 1970. My younger middle group is learning about wetlands and I am learning about the raccoons. Check out my drawings (right). We are learning about wetlands because they are in danger. People are taking them over to build. When you cut trees down the soil loosens and can go somewhere else and fill the wetlands.





We set up three different bottles to decompose fruits. Bottle #1 is the control with oxygen and 1/2 cup of water. Bottle #2 is a wetland with no oxygen and enough water to just cover the soil. And bottle #3 is the same as #2 but we shook it and it has more oxygen.



**Instrument posters:
Woodwinds by Kody
Strings by Zachary**



This week in art we shared our shadow puppet plays. We also started a project about something that makes us happy or a different emotion. We have to draw a sketch first, then draw the real thing, and then paint it. I am doing a forest with a waterfall and little lakes because I like being outside. We can use any methods we want but we have to try using happiness. By: Ama

For art we have to do a project based on what makes us happy. We also have to pick two artists and use their style in our piece. I am doing mixed-media and doing a piece using paint and photos. I am really happy with the plans for my project. A lot of people have made really cool pieces. This is one of my favorite art projects so far! By Zachary

Student of the week: Elena

Elena is the student of the week. She is 12 years old and this is her fourth year at Mandala. In school music is her favorite class. At home she likes to go outside, draw, and watch TV. In her family there are five people and two pets, a dog and a cat. If she could go anywhere in the world she would go to France. She plays softball and basketball. Her favorite animal is a red panda. Her favorite foods are grapefruit, pasta, ice cream and cake. If she could travel in time it would be to when Taylor Swift was a kid. Other people call her smart, creative, kind, and energetic.

By: Clara



Writing class this week we have been working on a class assignment where we have to write a story, or poem that includes one lie. It could be based on a true story, or just made up.

We also had poetry night this week, in which anyone ages 12 to 18 can come to Mandala at 7:00pm to 9:00pm. We review poems that we wrote and talk about the meaning of them afterwards. Julia is writing about a mother and a daughter. The daughter pretends to still love her mother even after she found out that her mother is a monster. Brooklyns is writing about a girl named Emma, her neighbor stole her pet snake named potato and she has to make up lies to get him back.

By Julia & Brooklyn

In math class we are doing independent work based on how much each student is comprehending. Some of the things that kids are learning are decimals, percents, algebra, and graphing. Each student has a few people with the same or similar questions so these students can talk and discuss their answers and questions. By Farrah

THANKS TO MS. LEAH. DR. JOHN. KODY. MARLEY. JULIE. & JASPER FOR HELPING PREPARE COMMUNITY LUNCH!!



Binnenhof Den Haag is like a castle in the Netherlands. It is a bunch of buildings with a courtyard in the center that was built in the 13th century. Now they use it for government buildings. Sachin and I made a miniature version that Ms. Jeannet brought back from the Netherlands. Jasper helped a bit too. It is kind of a puzzle but 3D. We have been working on it for at least three months. This week we finished it!



🌍 We are looking to borrow 5 chess boards for next week's chess tournament!

🌍 Meet at Sprague Brook Monday for Earth Day!!!

HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!

