



Mandala School Newsletter

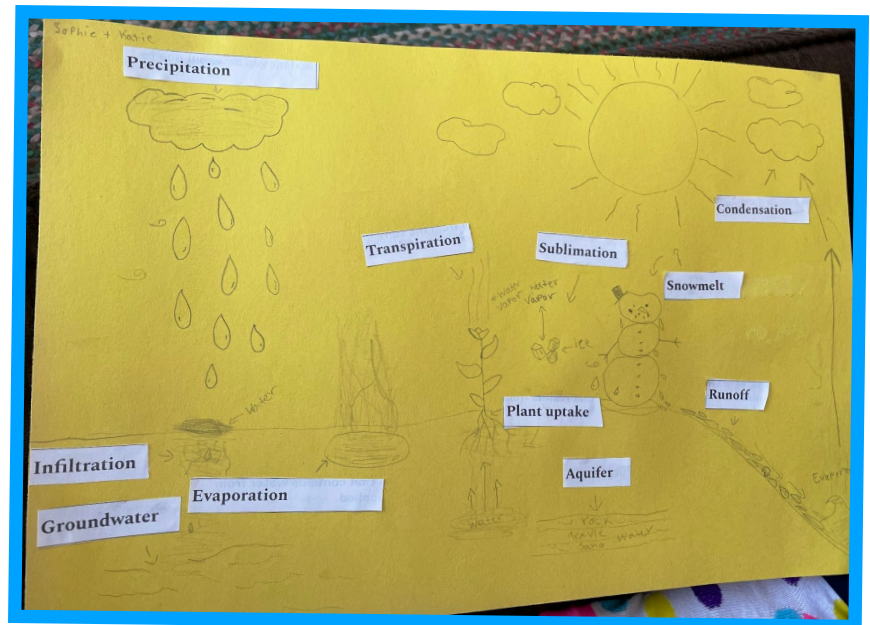
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Artwork by Hazel

In art class we are putting happiness on paper and we need a painter that inspires us. Some people are doing things that make them happy like cats, people, etc. The younger kids are painting their houses and family. I am painting with watercolors of yellow flowers on a rainy day with puddles.
By Elena

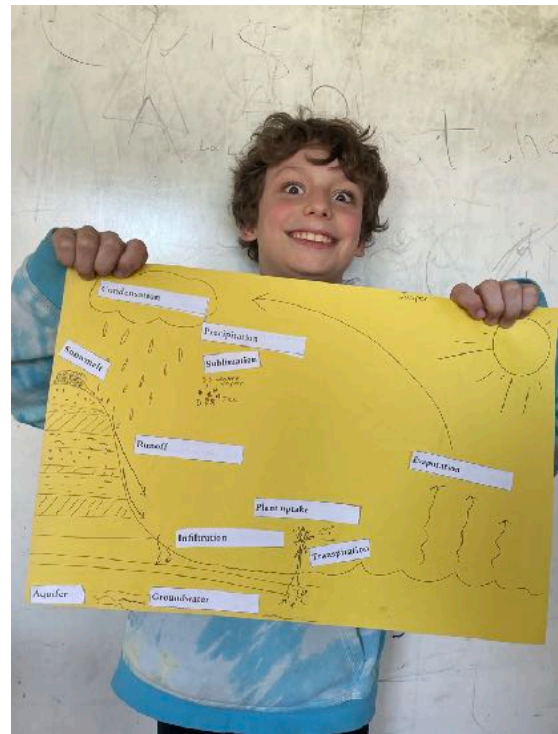
We are learning about the water cycle. When water falls from a cloud it is called precipitation. If it falls on the ground and rolls downhill it is called runoff. Sometimes snowmelt can cause runoff. There is groundwater which is water that is underground. If you dig down deep enough it starts to get wet. When water starts to fill the hole, that means you hit the water table. If the water table rises and it goes above the surface of the ground it creates a spring. When water gets warm from the sun, it evaporates and turns into a gas which makes clouds and it starts all over again. The water cycle kinda goes around and around again so it is like a circle. By Sophie



This week I had a gorilla project and Inti did an otter project. During morning meeting we presented our slideshows to the school. I felt good about mine. Gorillas are very strong, ten times stronger than humans! By Georgie



Last Friday we went to a place called SlyBoots where a music and dance group from Ghana performed for our entire school. Their dancing and music was nothing we have ever seen before as all of the instruments were made out of natural materials and their bodies would dance to the music. It was so cool to hear about their stories and journey from Ghana. Most of the students went and danced with the group and were having so much fun. Everyone was amazed by all aspects of the performance and this trip was something very special. By Farrah



Our student of the week this week is Jasper! Jasper is a nine year old Mandalian. It is his first year at Mandala. He just moved here from Vermont. Jasper misses his third-grade teacher from Vermont because he has been able to keep in touch with everyone except them.

Jasper is a very creative person and loves to build, especially with Legos. He is happy to be at Mandala because of the different types of Legos. Jasper's favorite Lego set is the Mandalorian.

The best part of Jasper's Day is French or math class. Jasper keeps every room he enters alive and laughing! Jasper is very generous, imaginative, and logical. His memory is impressive! We can't wait to see what he gets up to next! Interview by Johnny

In math this week we started off with graphing and also had a quiz on it. On the quiz, we had to graph equations and try to make perpendicular and parallel lines. Then we started using compasses and we made shapes like cubes and triangles, and tried to see how many small cubes could fit in one huge cube. Dr John taught us how to build a very complex triangle with the compass.

By Sarah



It all started with Orange Peel. Orange peel was a fish that died in it's sleep. We were having a funeral for the fish. Then an outrage happened. Johnny flushed the corpse down the toilet. That day, a new fish was born. It's name was Clementine. Clementine was a wonderful fish but Johnny sought to bring the same fate to him. There were two glorious battles. In the 2nd battle, Clementine was stabbed through the heart. He is now buried in front of Mandala with a beautiful bouquet of flowers atop his grave. RIP both fish.

(By the way... these were not real fish but actual orange and clementine peels)

By: Kody