

Mandala School Newsletter

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Younger students with their kites in music class

Captain Ryan visited this week, on Monday. We learned he is a co-pilot but sometimes he is a pilot and he's really nice. He told us in the plane there are more than 1,000 buttons and he showed us how he would drive a plane. He gave us some stuff for the airport we built. He gave us a real pilot's hat. And there is a lever he told us it is used to take off. There are either two or four engines and you turn them on with switches. By Petey

The older boys planned a spirit week for the week of Valentine's day, February 9th - 13th. Each day there will be something special about it. Please see the attached schedule for each day's theme. I am looking forward to pajama day on Friday! I hope that everyone has a good weekend!
- Bryce

On Monday pilot Ryan came to visit the younger group. They were doing a project on planes. He taught the group about planes and flying a plane. I got to meet him and he was pretty nice. - Weston



In art class we painted frozen water. We were painting the ocean of our fish. I used a lot of white and a lot of blue. It was pretty hard but fun. - Kyle & Louise



This week we started learning about the Renaissance era. The word Renaissance comes from the latin word “renastre” which means rebirth. On Monday we read about the printing press. Now we each got an artist from the Renaissance that we need to learn about. My artist is Sofonisba Anguissola who was one of the first internationally known female painters. Ms. Jenny is going to help us create a modern version of one of our artist’s paintings.

For our art class we painted tiny pictures and drew tiny jellyfish on them. We were using paint and a thick kind-of paper. You could use either warm colors or cool colors. Everybody did the cool colors. I went purple at the top, blue in the middle, and green at the bottom, with a little white at the top. We mixed the colors together without rinsing the brush. By Thalia



Math class is the hardest class of the day because it is always a challenge. We are learning about money and calculating change. We also had to make 75 cents in three different ways with coins. We are practicing with four different kinds of coins but really there are more like the dollar coin. I like quarters because they are the biggest number. I can count by quarters; 25, 50, 75, \$1.00 or 100 cents. - Winter

Mealla is the student of the week! Mealla is kind, brave, happy, and fun to play with. She is six years old and great at making people laugh. If Mealla was able to plan a menu of her favorite foods it would have steak, corn on the cob, ice cream, and popcorn. The best day ever for Mealla would be to campout and have a movie night on the same night and also eat all of her favorite foods. She thinks baby penguins with fluffy feathers are really cute but bunnies are her favorite. Mealla feels she is good at reading and she likes math. She loves the color pink. When outside at school Mealla likes to play on the tire swing in the summer or to sled in the winter. Playing with Amelia, her older sister, and their Barbies is what Mealla enjoys most at home. If she could design her own house it would have an escalator and a giant bed for her mom, dad, sister, little sister, and her.
Interview by Gabriel, Winter, Amelia, Zosia, Hazel, and Lochley



Weston's creation to make sure his project dries flat



*Helping Hands
On Thursday we had a truck load of fire wood delivered. Together we stacked almost all of it during rec.*