



Theme of the month:

The theme for the month of January was all about Art. The children were so intrigued to learn about famous artists, such as Vincent Van Gogh, Picasso, Monet, Michael Angelo, Matisse, and Leonardo DaVinci. During circle time, the children were shown detailed pictures of all the different types of art work that were created by these famous artists, such as paintings, drawings, pottery, self-portraits, and sculptures. We discussed the meaning of these art terms and the children gave examples of each meaning. The children got to paint and color replicas of such famous art works. The children even had a chance to paint their very own Picasso painting with a local artist. She explained to the children the different types of techniques of painting. She also read a beautiful childrens art book at circle time which the children thoroughly enjoyed. This fun activity was planned by our Moms of the Month. Another fun activity planned, was that the children got to make their very own theatre boxes. These theatre boxes lit up by using a flashlight. It was a very creative craft for the children. They had such a fun time with both art activities and learned so much.



*Learning all about Art from*



*GMMS Art Show*

We also had our own Art Gallery (Art show) with our very own artists, our GMMS Pioneers and Explorers children. The children painted individual art pieces as well as group paintings. The kindergarteners made replicas of two of Matisse's well-known art pieces, The Creole Dancer and Jazz. The children and parents got to walk around and look at all of the different paintings. They were able to bid for the paintings they liked while enjoying some local treats. The children were so proud to show off their paintings to all. It really was such a wonderful event. We also celebrated 100 days of school. The children made 100 days of school headbands and colored certificates for 100 days of school. We ended the month of January with a fun field trip to the Crayola Factory planned by the Moms of the Month.

**100 days smarter and brighter!**



## January Birthdays:

### Pioneers



Raaya turns 3!

Lorena turns 4!

*Happy Birthday!*

### Explorers



Layla turns 5!



Mathias turns 5!

## Moms of the Month:

Thank you, to the Moms of the month, Mrs. Nasr, Mrs. Nanco, Mrs. Combs, and Mrs. Nader, for planning such fun and educational art activities and for planning a fun field trip to Crayola!



### Crayola Factory Field Trip



Special thanks to our room Moms, Mrs. Nasr and Mrs. Nanco, for helping with our Art Show Fundraiser and for getting local businesses to sponsor our event. We could not have done it without you!



### Important Upcoming Dates:

- February 17<sup>th</sup> Presidents Day- No School
- February 18<sup>th</sup> Rising Kindergarten meeting
- February 18<sup>th</sup> Re-enrollment Due
- February 25<sup>th</sup> Parent Education night
- February 27<sup>th</sup> Progress Reports