

**THE**



**MONTHLY**

## WE MADE A SPLASH THIS SUMMER!

What a summer it's been! Our six-week Extended School Year (ESY) program was packed with fun, learning, and unforgettable moments. Each week brought a new theme to life—Bubbles, Magic, Space, Adventure, Animal Superpowers, and Dinosaurs—along with books, hands-on activities, movie days, and spirited classroom events.

Our students and staff dove right into every opportunity, creating memories that set the tone for an exciting year ahead. ESY is more than just summer learning—it's the spark that kicks off the school year with energy and joy.

As we head into a well-deserved three-week break, we're already looking forward to welcoming new students, teachers, and classrooms for the 2025–2026 school year. Let's keep the momentum going—we can't wait to see everyone back soon!



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**A BIG WARM WELCOME TO SOME OF OUR NEW STUDENTS! GET READY FOR A YEAR FULL OF DISCOVERIES, FRIENDSHIPS, AND FUN.**

# **WELCOME NEW STUDENTS**



**Teddy**



**Luke**



**Noah**



**Keily**



**Aaron**



**Josie**



**Nick**



**Jillian**



**Tetsuhiko**



**Zach**

*“What are you going to remember about this summer at the Midland School?”*

My favorite memory is the animal assembly - I loved the turtle! - Jillian

I loved doing the crafts in the classroom - Aaron

“Making friends with Astrid” - Luke

In a loud voice, Josephine responded, “Swimming”!

I liked the sensory room and toys - Noah

I enjoyed speech and playing games with my friends in class” - Nick



## SENSORY BUBBLE BLAST ASSEMBLY!

Ever wonder what it's like to be inside a bubble? Our students found out during the Sensory Bubble Blast assembly—and it was an unforgettable experience!



**Blowing and popping bubbles is always a fun activity with your friends!**





# DO YOU BELIEVE IN *Magic?*

Our weekly assemblies brought the *magic* to ESY! During MAGIC Week, students were amazed by our visiting magician—and our 12 brave volunteers now truly believe in magic after helping with the tricks!





## Week Three — SPACE!



Week 3 of ESY students experienced an Out of this World assembly and blasted off Space Week, with the highlight of an incredible visit from *That Planetarium Guy!* A giant inflatable planetarium took over our gym, and students from both the lower and upper school stepped inside for a star-studded journey through the cosmos.

In the dark dome, students looked up in wonder as planets, star clusters, the sun, moon, and Earth lit up the ceiling — all creatively identified using animals, numbers, letters, and shapes to help guide their exploration. Each show was specially tailored for the age group, making the experience both educational and magical.





# UP FOR THE CHALLENGE

## OBSTACLE COURSE



This week's Adventure theme brought excitement and energy to the gym during an action-packed assembly featuring a full obstacle course! Students climbed over walls, ducked under nets, zipped through the "car wash," hopped into tires, zig-zagged around cones, and even tackled the monkey bars—again and again. They were unstoppable!



Students painted 3-line landscapes on clay tiles—forming a vibrant "quilt" of dream destinations—and created afternoon art scenes featuring adventurous ways to travel!





## Week Five — ANIMAL SUPERPOWERS!

In art, students crafted zebras or tigers from paper shapes, painted camouflage stripes, and later created colorful fork-painted lion manes—wild fun from start to finish!



What a *WILD* and furry end to Animal Superpowers Week! The Eyes of the Wild assembly brought an incredible variety of rescued animals—including a turtle, bearded dragon, rabbits an armadillo and more—for students and staff to see, touch, and learn about. Eyes of the Wild, an exotic animal rescue, provides forever homes to unwanted or neglected creatures while inspiring audiences to love and protect nature.







# DINOSAURS ROCK! was **DINOMITE!**



We closed out the final week of ESY with a ROAR at our Dinosaur ROCK assembly! Students explored real and replica fossils, touched dinosaur bones, and learned just how enormous these prehistoric creatures were. They even got to dig and keep genuine fossils! The experience was fascinating, interactive, and kept everyone engaged from start to finish.



Our first Whole School Dinosaur Dance was DINOmite! Students roared with excitement as they danced, sang, and shared the floor across grade levels—older students guiding and celebrating with the younger ones for a truly prehistoric party.







# SUMMER BIRTHDAY'S

## STUDENTS

Elena	Chelsea
Gianna	Annabella
Ella	Grace
Hannah	Maddie
Juliana	Kimo
Isabella	Sadhika
Ryan	Jonathan
Stacy	Diana

## STAFF

Ms. Munn	Ms. Moreno
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Mr. Stuart	Mr. DeSimini
Mrs. Carr	Mr. Titus
Mrs. Klima	Mrs. Smith
Ms. Khuri	Mrs. Larson
Mr. Quigley	Ms. Kaylah
Mrs. Rath	Ms. Ditkowsky
Mrs. Hujber	Mrs. Howard
Miss Snider	Mr. Blackwell

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!





## SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, September 18th

Back to School Night  
6:15—7:45 PM