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6th Grade Arts Showcase

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Dear 6th Grade Families,

We gathered yesterday morning to celebrate the artistic work that the 6th grade students have accomplished in each arts class. The 6th graders infused the room with joyful, rambunctious support for one another - cheering each other on and sharing their appreciation for the work of each class at the closing of this first arts rotation.

Here's a snapshot of what each class got to share out, as well as a video of the performances:

Link to performances

Visual Art (displayed in Great Room - front):

- <u>Portraits:</u> Our artists focused on portraits expressing both the technical aspects of portraiture as well as communicating individual personalities through background design
- <u>Alebrijes:</u> Inspired by the imaginings of Pedro Linares, a Mexican artist = students created colorful creatures
 merging the ideas of surrealism and identity. They first sketched the creatures and then sculpted them from
 clay (rather than the paper mache of Linares' original creatures). The completed sculptures will be displayed
 in the Magnolia foyer in a few weeks

Drama: As a culmination of the work we've done around collaboration, reaching group goals and exploring movement, our performers created an original piece based off of Lewis Caroll's poem *Jabberwocky*. They worked together on choreography and text expression to rehearse and perform a multidisciplinary performance of the poem that included speaking, movements and staging. Their performance committed to and communicated the suspenseful, delightfully creepy and epic nature of this story about a beamish boy and the monster he slew. Enjoy!

Music:

- <u>Identity:</u> Our musicians fused their understanding of rhythm and movement to create an original piece centered around their own names and identity.
- <u>Pentatonic scale:</u> Our musicians performed a musical piece featuring the 5 note pentatonic scale on Orff instruments and percussion. They impressed with a high degree of ensemble togetherness as well as individual solos.

We hope you enjoy this first look into the work of our arts team with this awesome, energetic and supportive 6th grade class. Our next 6th grade arts rotation **beginning on Monday, Nov 29** will be as follows:

Joyce's advisory -> Visual Art (Cristina) Miguel's advisory -> Drama (Joyce) Rachel's advisory -> Music (Miguel)

We hope you enjoy checking out these examples of 6th grade creativity, perseverance, commitment and focus. Looking forward to working with our next groups!

In partnership, Miguel, Cristina & Joyce