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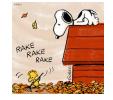
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### Making Movie Magic:

Though November is officially

National Novel Writing Month, we're
hoping that's a great boost for us to write our
own mini-movies! We're encouraging kids to draw
inspiration from their own favorites, but to create
wildly unique ideas that showcase themselves.





#### Washington MLEDP Staff

Center Director: Mr. Peter AM: Ms.Judy PM: Ms. Corie

### **Mystery of the Month:**

Throughout the month of October, an all-new exclusive to Washington MLEDP mystery set on the fictitious Bear Paw Island. The kids were introduced to 30 potential suspects and have creatively solved puzzles, tracked down clues, interpreted dialogue, read maps, synthesized information, and hypothesized who might be behind it all. We are very proud of the hardwork they have put in and their commitment to solving this mystery. They've done some incredible work!

It is vital that you inform MLEDP staff and your child's teacher of your child's schedule should it change for any reason. If your child will not be attending please leave a note in our parent area, call us at 412-344-6106 or email us at washington@mledp.org

Upcoming Movie
Magic:
Documentary
Western
Classics



#### Fall Bean Mosaics

Cardboard, Scissors, Glue, Various Beans and Legumes
Cut out a fall shape from the cardboard, (Pumpkins, Footballs, Apples, Corn, etc). Using the various types of beans, fill in your cardboard design with the beans to create a multi-colored and textured piece of fall art!

Craft courtesy of Miss Zoe.

And The Oscar Goes Too..

Congratulations to our first spate of winners:

Caroline F.

Abby K.

Abby P.

Leo St.

Mila H.

Claire H.

Juliana S.

Knowledge is Power November:
During the month of November we will be using
our meeting time to focus on things the kids
would like to learn about and discussing among
their peers!

#### **Big Kids Programming:**

Our older kids have done a great job with the desinged programming just for them. We will continue to do this throughout the course of the year and encourage them to bring to us what they want to be challenged by.

#### **Reading Bingo**

In conjunction with several other MLEDP centers, during the week of October 17th we engaged in a Readathon Bingo. Kids had their own bingo cards to fill out with many different ways to read. We had quite a few not only reach bingo, but fill the whole card! In addition, on Wednesday October 19th we successfully contributed to an all center Zoom to support reading. Our 3rd fourth and fifth graders did an awesome short presentation on using the story cubes to create adventure stories. They were funny, entertaining and well crafted. We are so proud of their efforts.

To the Right: Ms. Judy led us on a unique puzzle building experience. Pieces were colored by the kids with their own interesting design. When the puzle was built correctly we turned it over to reveal the original creation our leids had madel.



To the Left: Can you guess what mysterious thing is happening in this mystery diorama? Art Credit: Mila H.



# Electronic Homework:

Children are permitted to use their electronic devices for homework only and with permission from a teacher. Class devices will not be used for fun or personal use. MLEDP strives to provide engaging programming, which does include the use of technology.



November being family stories month, we will be discussing who we are, where we come from, the people who influence us, and the stories of our ancestors.

# Staff Spotlight: Ms. Zoe

We have had a lot of fun with Ms. Zoe this October. She introduced friends to an outdoorsy pastime of geocaching, leading to an epic adventure. Her animal tracking activity, helped us unlock the mystery of who was leaving those footprints on the field. Mystery Zines were a creative mix of storytelling and art. But perhaps her most popular activity of October was the egg drop. Testing whether or not someone could create a case so that when dropped their egg would still land safely. Several were rousing successes! So it is bittersweet that we bid Ms. Zoe adieu heading into November, as she pursues other exciting opportunities. We wish her the best and thank her for all the hard work she has put in. She will be missed.

Below: One of our spotted animal tracks!

Photo Credit: Claire H.





**Open Communication**: We encourage all families to communicate with us on an ongoing basis. While many MLEDP staff come in contact with your child throughout the day, we are all happy to answer any questions you may have or put you in contact with the staff person most suited to address your concerns. You can also email us at <a href="mailto:washington@mledp.org">washington@mledp.org</a>

## **Upcoming Dates to Remember:**

November 8th: School Closed MLEDP Long Day
November 18th: School Closed MLEDP Long Day
November 23rd-26th: MLEDP Closed Thanksgiving Break
Please remember to bring ID to the center as we will have some staff subbing from other centers over the next few weeks!