

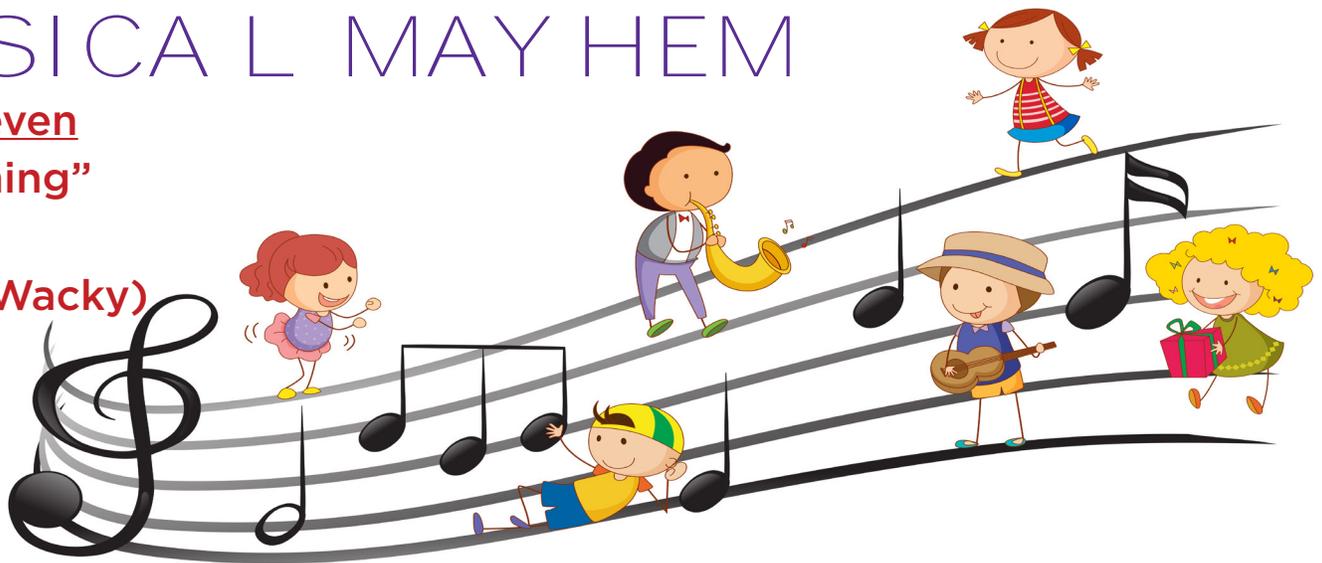
MUSICAL MAYHEM

Week Seven

“Wild Thing”

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(Wild n Wacky)



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Monday- “Are we there yet?” “No, um, we seem to have gotten a little lost since our map experts are not here today.” Just like the characters in Where Completely Are We? by Lauren Child, we had some difficulty navigating our way on the bus to the pools although once we finally turned around and asked for directions we managed to arrive on time to our destination (it always helps to leave somewhat earlier than planned). Once there, we took a trip down the Nile River (no crocodiles were spotted on this journey) where we noted several tributaries and lakes in addition to a spectacular waterfall that highlighted rainbows in the mist. We also employed our newly learned navigational know-how to rescue several animals that had been stranded on islands formed by early monsoons in Sub-Saharan Africa. In the afternoon, we returned to that continent where we carefully observed and studied the miniature elephant, the itty bitty rhinoceros and the soil snake (and some monkeys of course) in their natural habitat before we spent some time in the oases of the desert. STAY TUNED FOR OUR REPORT!!

Tuesday- One morning there was a rumbling in the universe. It was the Cranky Robot-no it was just Ms. Sara looking for chocolate donuts since there are no grocery stores in the outer space. After we read The Three Little Aliens and the Big Bad Robot by Margaret McNamara we practiced our song for the concert this week and made banners to wave in the air. We then took our motor vehicles for a drive around the canyons and flood plains in addition to the water ways of the different planets worked on saving the aliens and the mermaids from the robot. In the afternoon, we practiced running and making mad faces (in an attempt to stave off the donut finding efforts of the robot) and then slid down the waterfalls of the canyons. STAY TUNED FOR OUR REPORT!!

Wednesday- Beware the orange aardvark-it is hungry for ants you know. Following our book It’s an Orange Aardvark by Michael Hall, we employed teamwork to quietly and carefully sneak past the sleeping and satiated aardvark and geckos to safely board the bus for Bill Yeck Park. Once we arrived, we were led by our intrepid field guide Ms. Kate (Ms. Sara tends to be directionally challenged) to find several new species of plants and lichen in addition to a number of birds and insects on the creek walk and in the meadow. Upon our return and a consumption of a hearty meal (no ants we promise), we utilized various art materials to create visual representations of the natural world. In the afternoon, we read The Poky Little Puppy (Ms. Sara’s favorite book from childhood) and then designed and built playscapes for the animals so that they could join in our adventures too!! STAY TUNED FOR OUR REPORT!!

Thursday- Wait a minute!! What??? There are monkeys and alligators and toucans in this book?? Perhaps you should close it!! No don’t close it. It will squish the bananas!! We had so much fun reading Warning: Do Not Open This Book and its sequel (both by Adam Lehrhaupt) Please Open This Book before venturing into the wilds of the Amazonian rain forest in search of that elusive object-the perfect ripe banana. Despite our best endeavors, we were unsuccessful at locating such items but we did have a lot of fun painting perfect pictures like primates and avoiding alligators and trying to tickle toucans. STAY TUNED FOR OUR REPORT!!

Friday- What?? Behind the rabbit?? No it is the rabbit. Or at least we employed the rabbit as a means to attract the strange and tricky creatures we had observed during the week. We then utilized Slightly Invisible by Lauren Child as a template to cook some delicious food-including macaroni and cheese donuts and squid sandwiches-for a special Shabbat meal with our new compatriots. However we did forget the pink milk-which caused quite a ruckus at the table-until several of our classmates offered to go to the store to purchase some for everyone. THANK YOU!!! STAY TUNED FOR OUR REPORT!!

Ms. Sara, Ms. Kate, & Ms. Anna