

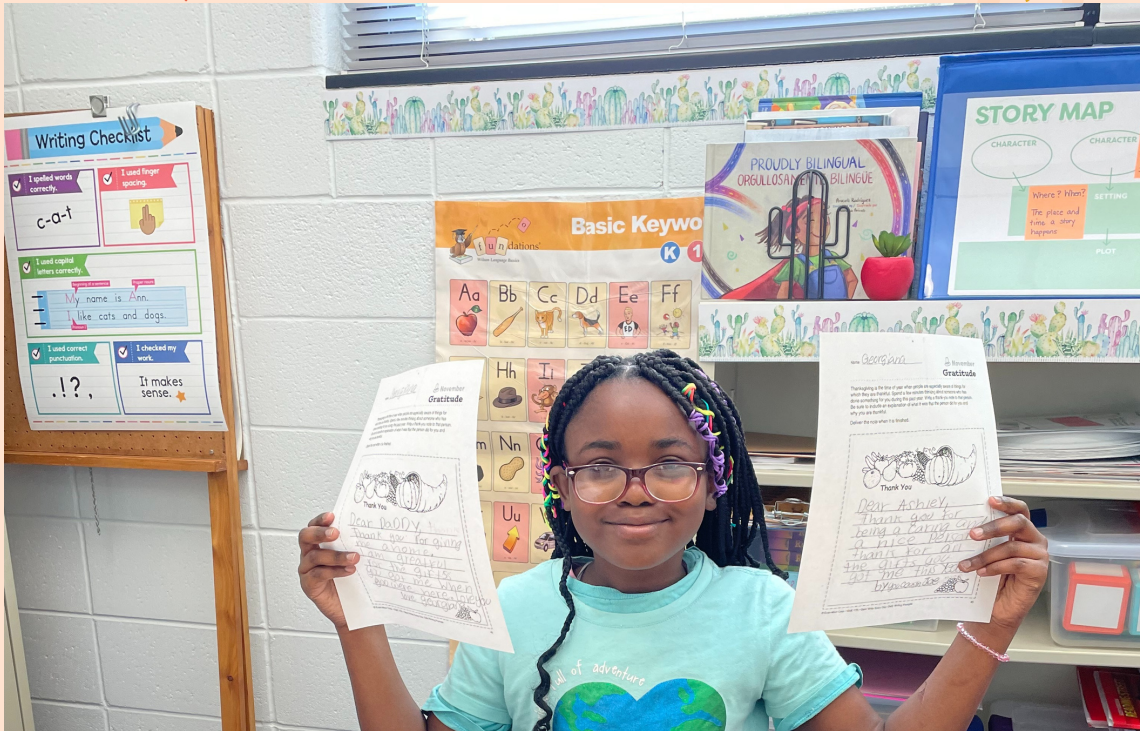


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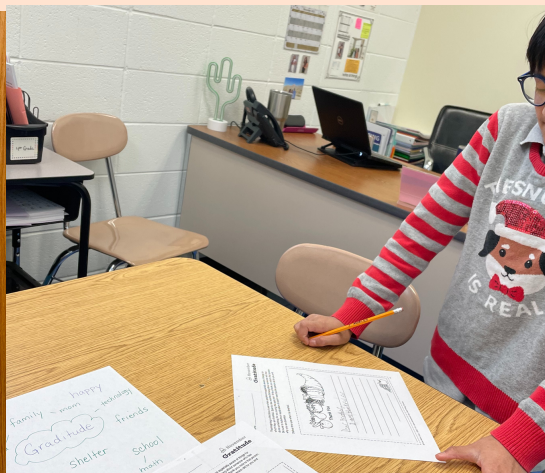
We Are Thankful For...



By: Brenda Hristov (WT)

November is Native American History Month. At Walnut Trails, 4th grade and Kindergarten Reading Buddies learned about the Tlingit tribe of the Pacific Northwest. The Tlingit were the first to create totem poles and place them in front of their homes. Students also crafted a traditional Native American mask from the Tlingit tribe. Their artwork was displayed in the fine arts hallway for everyone to enjoy.

At Walnut Trails, we also reflected upon Thanksgiving and the concept of gratitude. 4th-grade students then wrote a letter to someone telling them what they are thankful to them for. Some students chose to write more than one letter!





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Patch Perfect!



By: Sara Smith (MES)

First-grade students had fun learning about pumpkins! They learned the different parts by singing a song and using total physical response (TPR) or body movement.

Songs and TPR are two great strategies for multilingual language learners. It not only gets them engaged, but it also helps them remember vocabulary and work on their listening and speaking skills.

Students enjoyed writing at the end of the unit as well as tasting roasted pumpkin seeds from the pumpkin they carved!

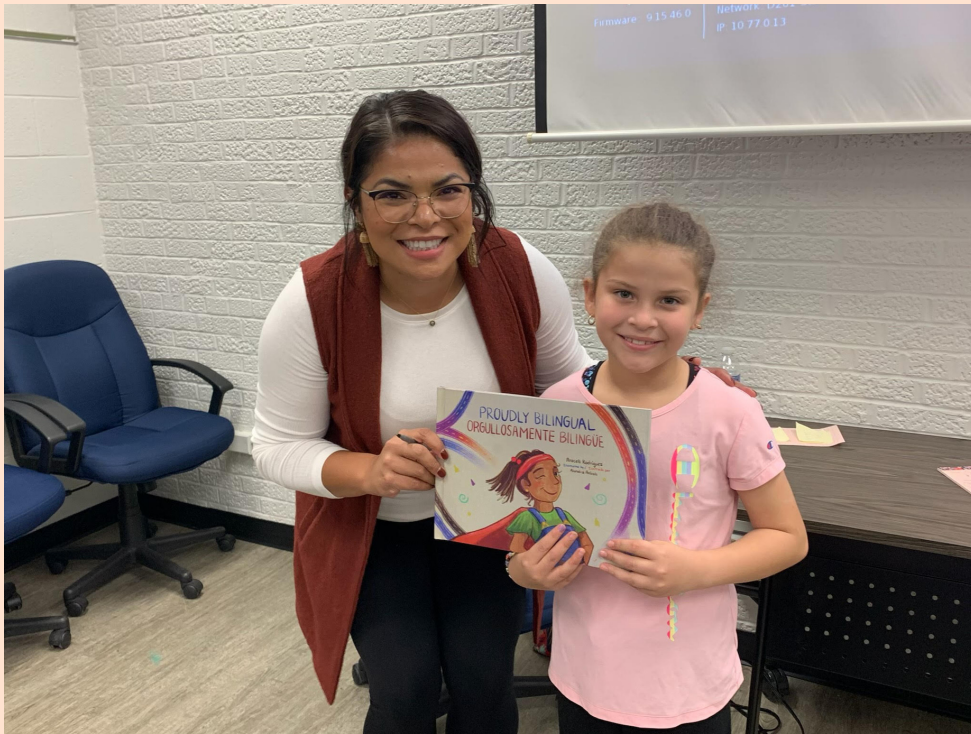




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Bilingual Author, Araseli Rodriguez Stops By During the November BPAC meeting



On November 3, the Minooka CCSD 201 Bilingual Parent Advisory Committee had the pleasure of hosting Araseli Rodriguez. The author shared the challenges and benefits of being bilingual as well as read her book to the audience. All families who attended received an autographed and personalized copy of the book! The families also shared pictures with us of their children reading the book at home! Check out some pictures on the next page!



Upcoming BPAC Event

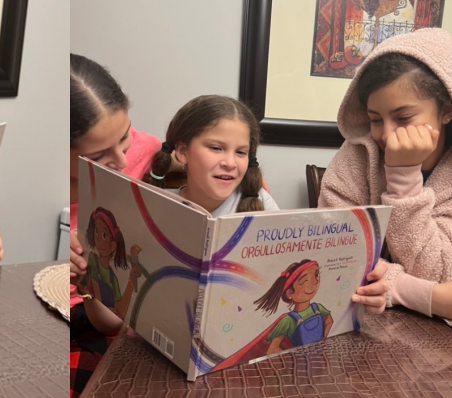
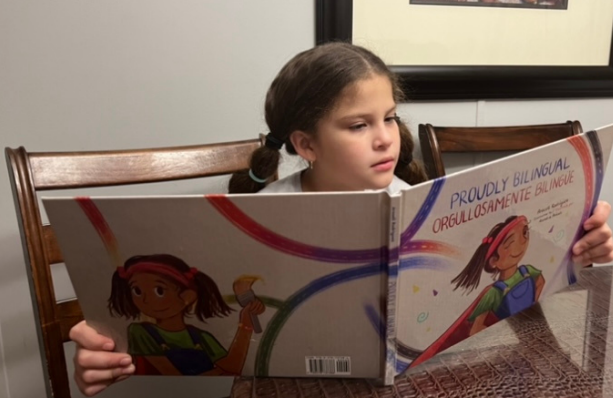
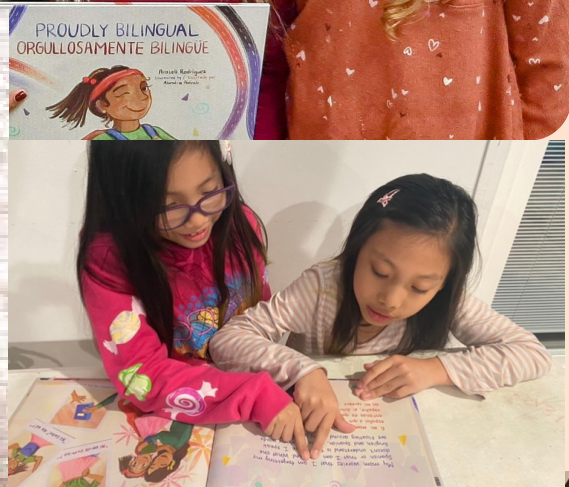
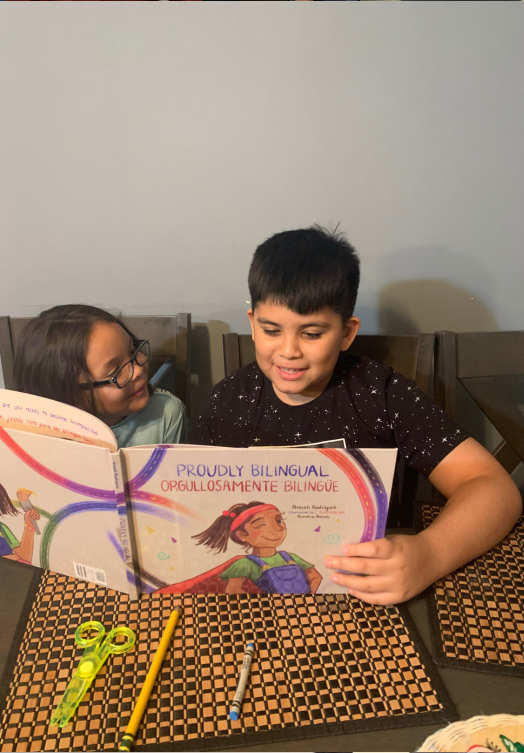
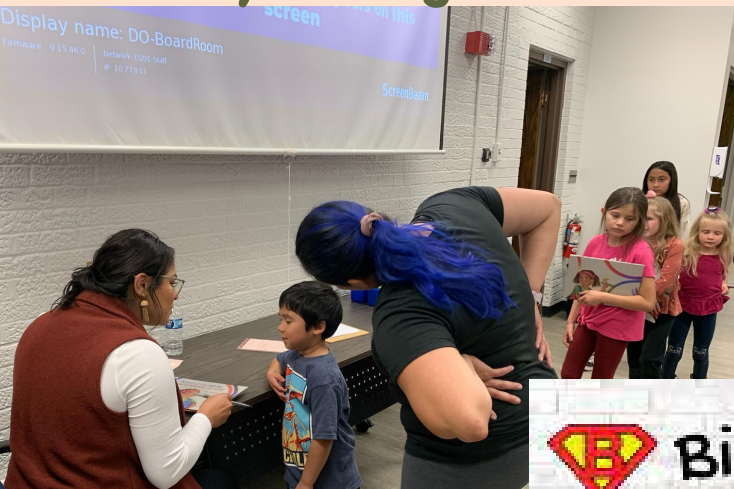
December 15th - Nutrition
and Your Child:
Gutierrez, NP at 5pm
(In-person and virtual
event)



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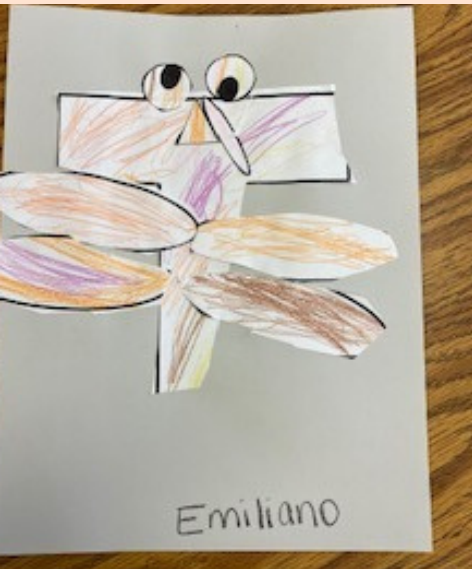




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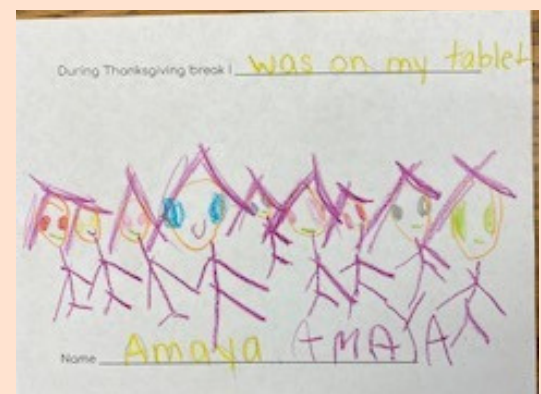
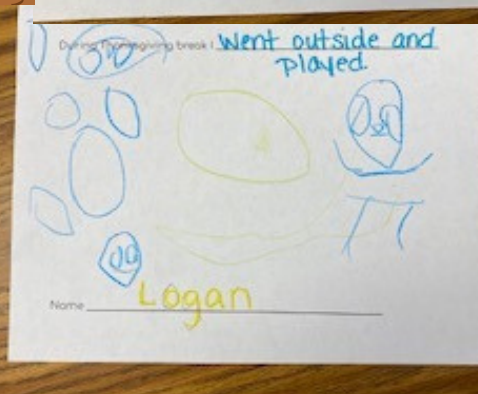
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Gobble, Gobble, Gobble!



By: Jennamarie Lopez (MPC)

The students at MPC had so much fun learning all about the letter T, turkeys, and Thanksgiving! What better way to learn the parts of a turkey than to make one! During this activity, students demonstrated their knowledge of turkey vocabulary and followed multi-step directions! We continued to practice our speaking and listening skills by having conversations with one another about what we were thankful for and made a "Thankful Tree!" Lastly, we practiced our writing skills by journaling after Thanksgiving break about what we did! We are busy playing, learning, and growing together every day!





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By: Sara Smith (MES)

Third-grade students learned about the Day of the Dead or Día de Los Muertos. They enjoyed reading about this holiday that takes place on November 1 and 2 in Mexico, the United States, and many other Spanish-speaking countries. Families remember and celebrate loved ones who have passed away. Students typed answers to questions about this holiday and then they made colorful skulls or calaveras.



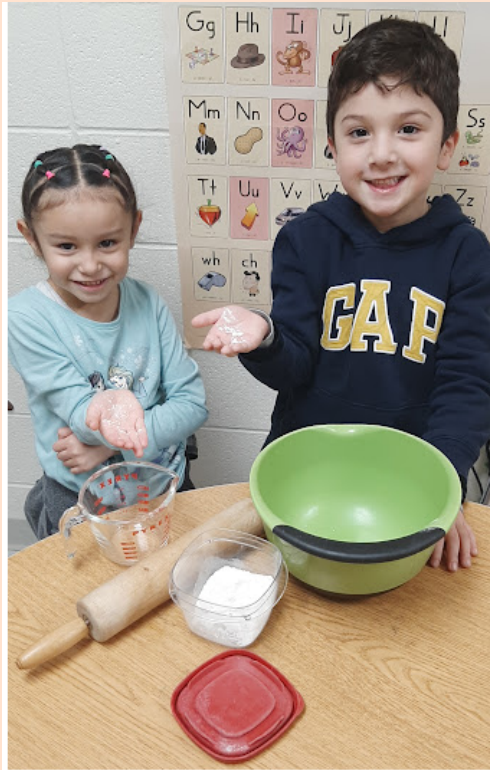


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It's Gingy Time Again!

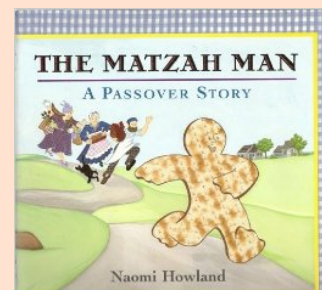
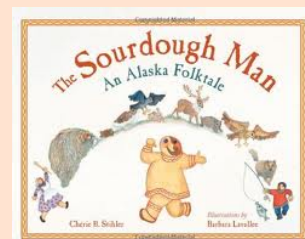
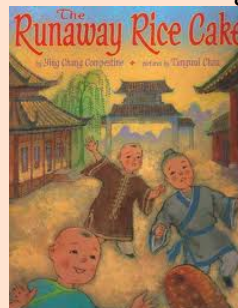
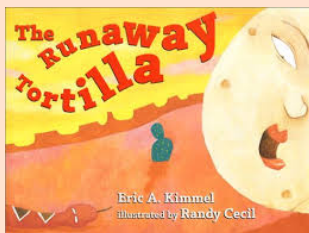
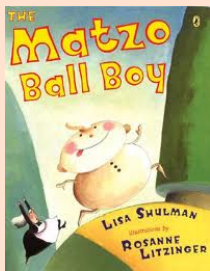


By: Anne Rasmussen (AUX/MES)

It's Gingy time again! Aux Kindergarten students had so much fun learning vocabulary and steps for making cookies by playing with some simple realia! Did you know that Scholastic News offers all of its issues and videos in both English and Spanish? They make a great companion piece for so many units! We used "Let's Make Gingerbread" from Let's Find Out as a follow-up to our realia play! It was perfect for this bilingual group.



Did you know that there are several versions of the Gingerbread around the world? Here are a few:





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We are Thankful for Our Students and Their Families!

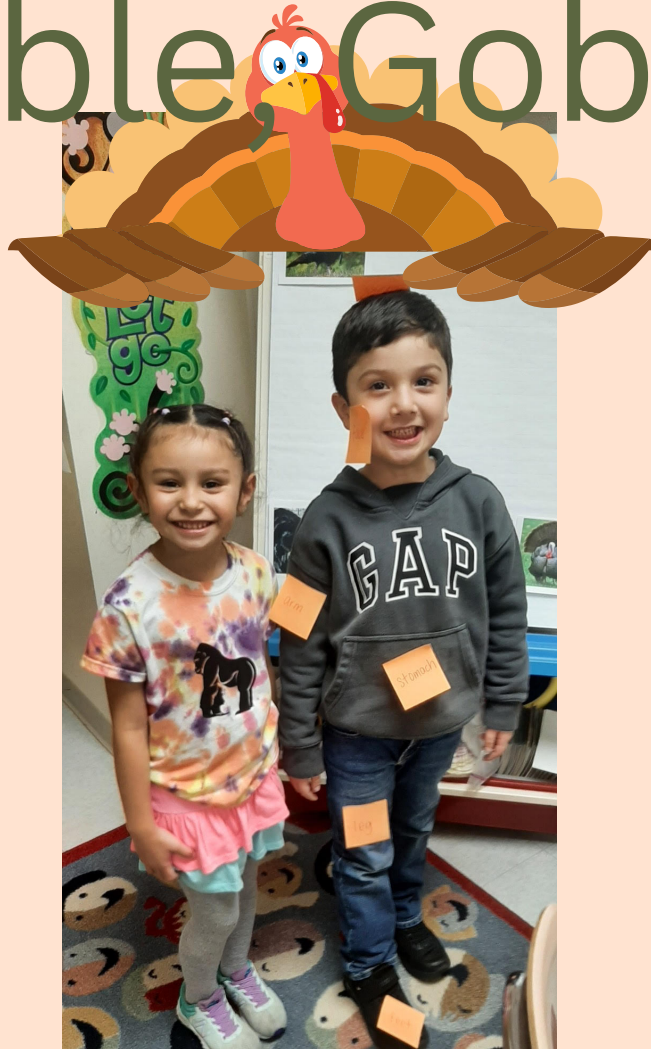




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Gobble Gobble!



By Anne Rasmussen (AUX/MES)

In November, we did a warm-up activity for learning vocabulary and labeling a turkey! Students used their knowledge of the vocabulary terms to label their body parts! Afterward, we learned about the different body parts of a turkey. Did you know that a turkey's wattle changes color based on its' mood?

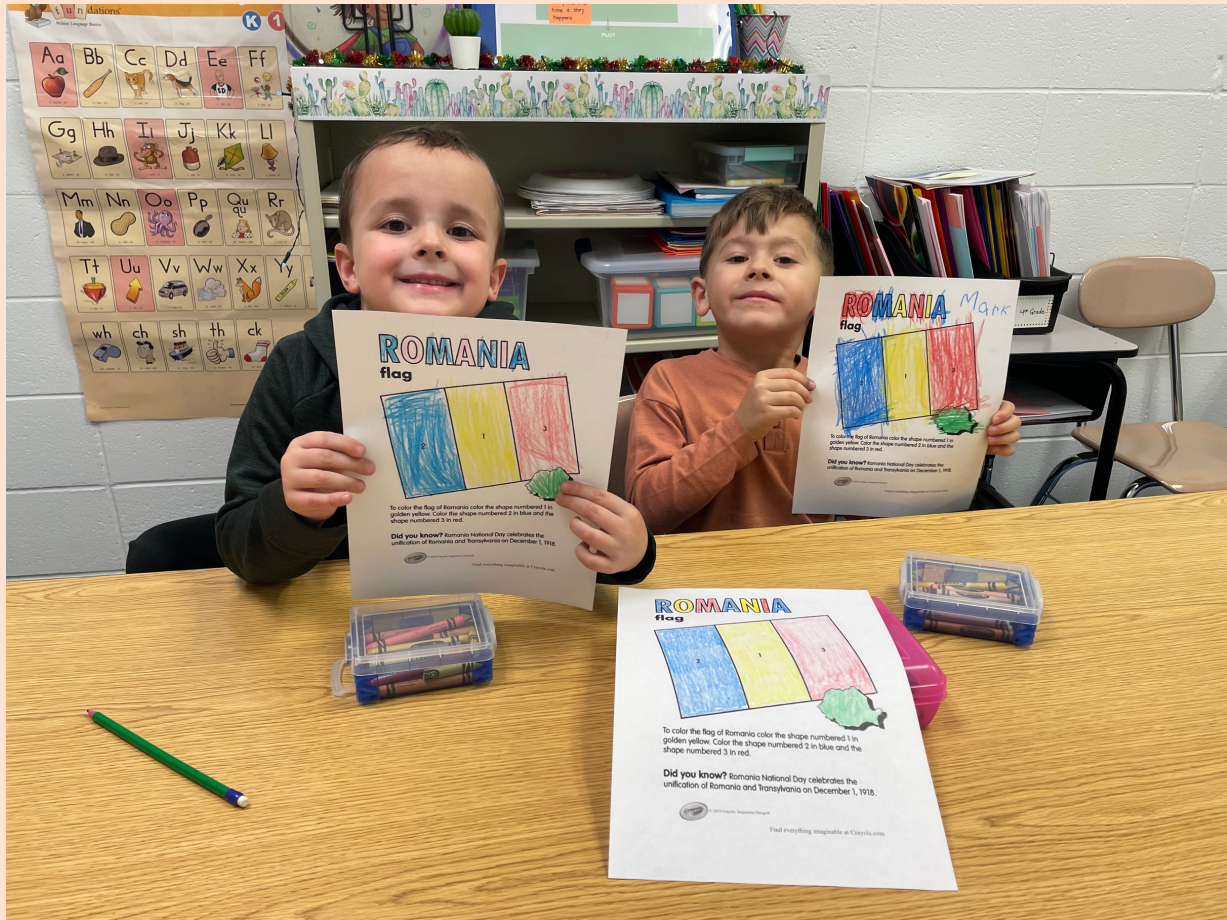




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Happy National Romanian Day!



Walnut Trails students take pride in learning about National Romanian Day which is celebrated on December 1st. This holiday celebrates the the unification of Transylvania, Bessarabia, and Bukovina with the Romanian Kingdom in 1918, something that is known as the Great Union. This holiday is similar to our 4th of July in the United States.



GET TO KNOW OUR

Multilingual Teacher:



Mari Parga

Q: How many years have you taught?

I have taught for 12 years!

Q: What is your favorite part of teaching Multilingual Students?

Cultural diversity and linguistic creativity! I love seeing students choose how to express themselves in their expanding linguistic repertoire.

Q: What languages can you speak?

English, Spanish, and a very small amount of Swedish

Q: What is a fun fact about you?

I studied abroad in Ecuador, Sweden, and Mexico.