



Aronimink *in Action*

May 2022

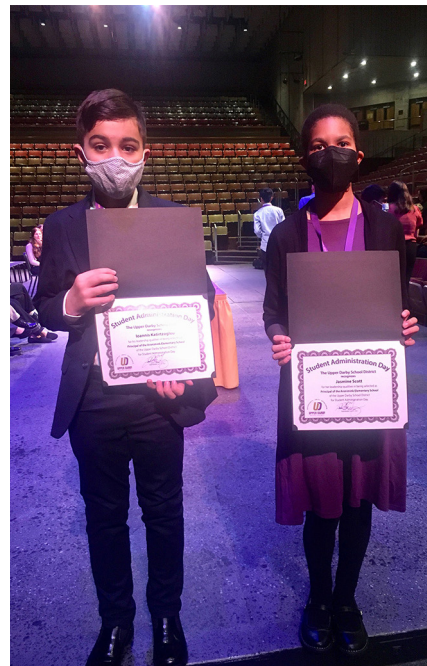
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May Events

- 5/2–6 **PSSA testing**
- 5/4 **Early Dismissal**
Wed. 12:00 p.m.
- 5/9 **Home and School Meeting**
Mon. 7 p.m.
- 5/10 **School Board Meeting**
Tues. 7:30 p.m.
- 5/13 **Color Day & May Day**
Fri. 3:30–8:00 p.m.
Raindate 5/20
- 5/21 **UDSD Arts Festival**
Sat. 11:00–3:00 p.m.
- 5/27-/30 **Memorial Day Holiday**
Mon. School Closed

Save the Date

- 6/10 **Last Day of School!**
Fri.



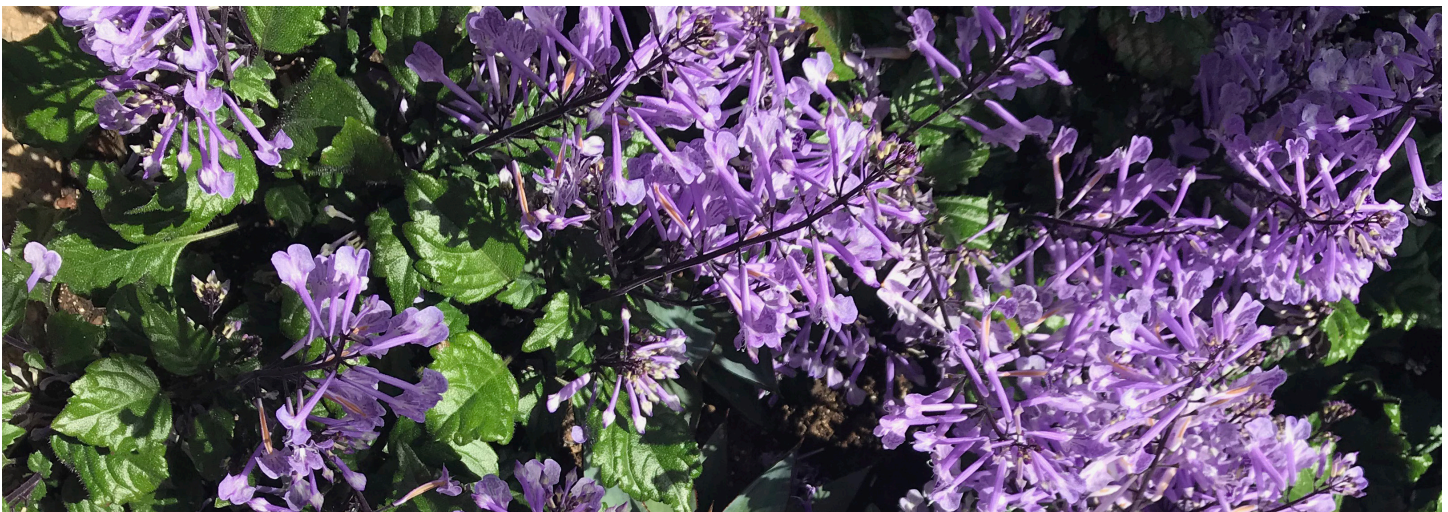
Principal's Message

Dear Aronimink Families,

May is in full swing and is flying by! Those April showers have definitely brought us May flowers, along with lots of pollen and uncontrollable sneezing! To make the end of the year even more eventful, we welcomed back our Backwards ABC Countdown to Summer. Each day for the remainder of the school year has theme to make every day fun! So far, our students have rocked this challenge.

May has also brought the return of PSSA testing in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade. Our students continue to work hard and show off how much they have grown academically in this hybrid model. These results will help us gauge where are students are and help us plan for the future. I have been so proud of their efforts so far.

Above: Detail of a creative view of outer space by 3rd grader Katelyn N.



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We also welcomed back our annual Color Day and May Day festivities. Our students showed a ton of energy and sportsmanship as they participated in the creative relays. Our school community came out in full force to watch us get back into the swing of things after a 2 year hiatus. Despite a rainy start, our HSA also pulled off a successful May Day filled with carnival style games, a moon bounce, a mini golf course, and a food truck.

We will close out this year with Aronimink's Got Talent. We look forward to displaying all the unique talents our students possess. It will no doubt be a great show!

With less than a month left of school, we will continue to make this end of the year fun and memorable for our kids.

Best,

~Josh Rehak, Principal





Grade 1 News

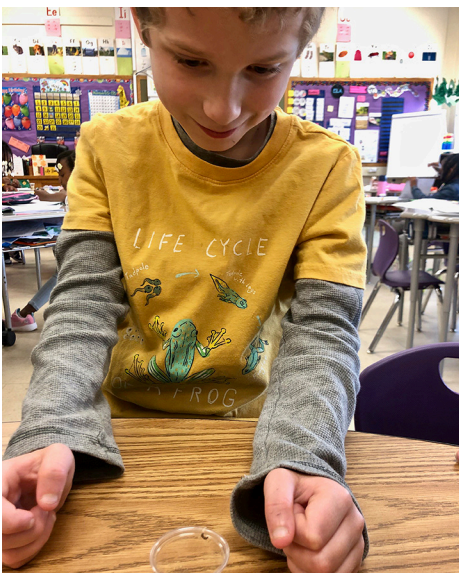
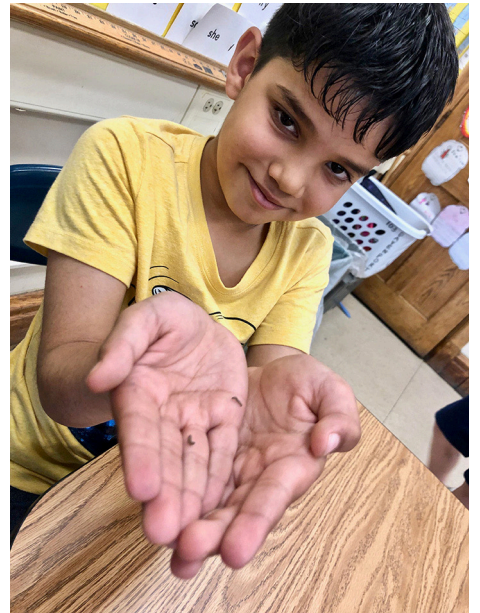
First grade has been learning about organisms in Science class. We have some interesting class pets-guppies, snails, millipedes, and pill bugs. The children are so excited each day to learn new facts about each one.

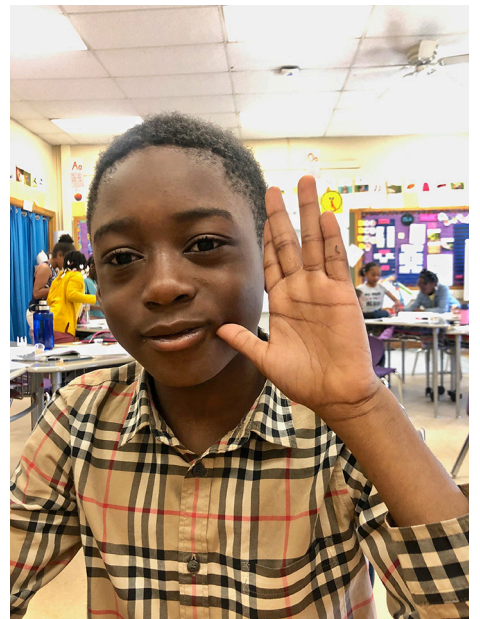
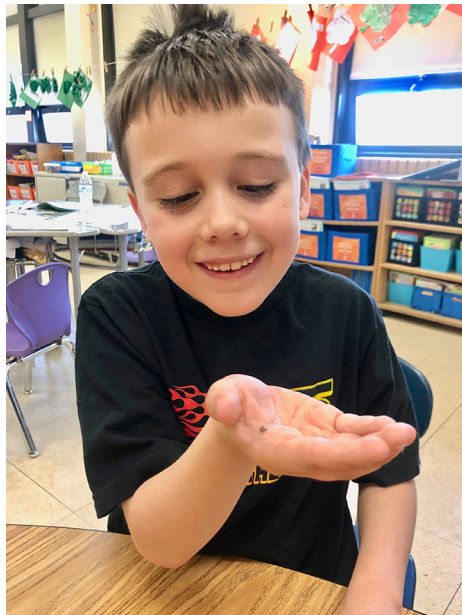
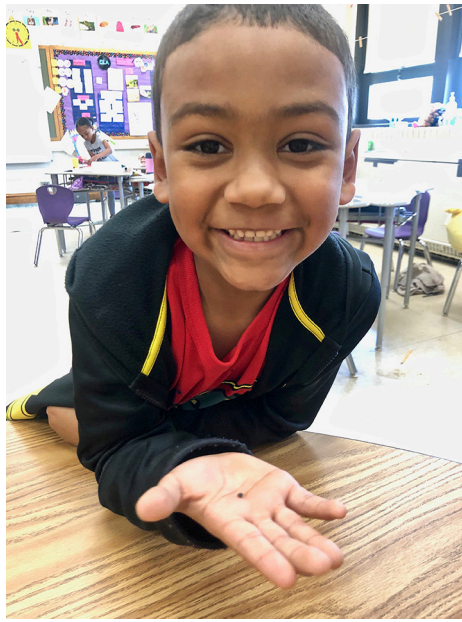
We also had our visit to the Zoo at the beginning of the month. Although it was a rainy, rainy day we had a blast. The children loved seeing and learning about all the animals.

~Ms, Cicala, 1st Grade Teacher



What is Grade 2 sharing with us?





MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU!



Art News

All five grades have completed the initial phase of their pottery projects and have added glazes to their projects. Every day the kiln is loaded and unloaded to be loaded the following day. Every day the kiln is unloaded beautifully colored art projects are revealed. It is a joy to go to school each day to see the art projects.

~Mrs. York, Art Teacher/Librarian

Library News

All five grades are working on our final unit for the school year: coding using the website code.org.

~Mrs. York, Art Teacher/Librarian



Above: Creative view of outer space by 3rd grader Ethan M.; below: Creative view of outer space by 3rd grader Katelyn N.



Student Council News

Student council has been working all year to support our Aronimink community. The members have collected over 1000 pairs of socks, 1273 canned goods, \$616 for CHOP, and other successful events throughout the year. Mrs. Coyle, Mrs. Pearce, and Ms. Schaefer are proud of our student council members and their successes this year. Student Council members are wonderful examples of being safe, respectful and responsible every day at school. These members are:

- Brian Rubino (201)
- Sadie Janson (205)
- Mehmet Toprak (201)
- Genesse Alobeyo (205)
- Mumtahina Ahmed (201)
- Jaythan Fuller (205)
- Kasia Mack (200)
- Afrah Ahmed (105)
- Mayeva Azo (106)
- Rian Montague (105)
- Brigid Heller (202)
- Umar Starks (204)
- Emma Howard-Mattis (202)
- Roman Brooks (203)
- Gabriel Smith (203)

We are extremely proud and grateful to all of these members who assisted in helping our Aronimink community improve and grow. We will miss our 5th graders as they move onto middle school and showcase their leadership skills there. We cannot wait to see what they will accomplish and we look forward to working with our future student leaders of Aronimink!

~Rebecca Schaefer, Sp. Ed. Teacher



Breaking Free

When I first signed up for Running Club as a 3rd grader I knew it was going to be fun. What I didn't know was that a deadly virus was coming, and we were going to go virtual. Well, that's exactly what happened on March 17, 2020, and we had to wait an entire year to see what Running Club would be like.

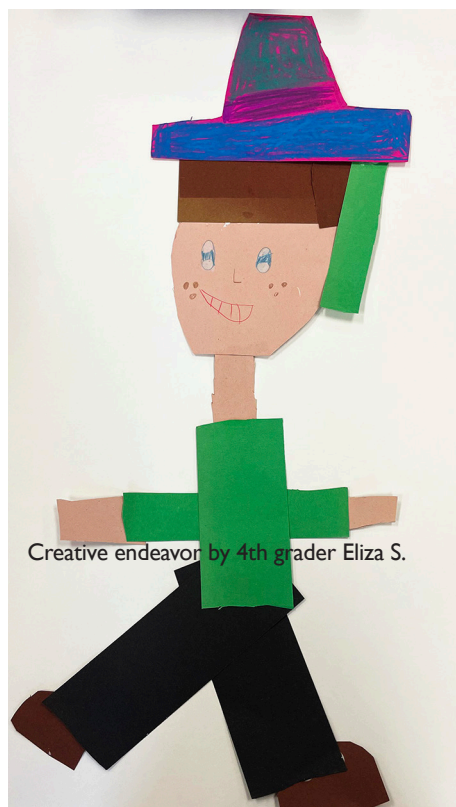
I was nervous that it wasn't going to work out. The first class was okay, although we didn't really run. We just exercised, which I thought was strange. It was called Running Club, after all. But then again it was COVID-19, so I understood. We did run a 5K however, which I guess was exciting. It took a lot, though. A lot of breath, a lot of endurance, and a lot of self-confidence.

Finally, after two long years of being behind the bars that was COVID, we got back to school. As I expected, Running Club would now be in-person! There were about 50

runners at the first Tuesday practice, and the first run was more tiring than the 5K the previous year! This time we actually ran laps instead of just exercising in place. In fact, the whole practice was 1 hour, and running was 3/4 of that time! The first time, I made 3 laps around the entire school...and the school property is several acres of land. That sounds huge! By the way, a 5K is a little more than 6 laps around the school. For the final 5K race this year, we will be running at Arlington Cemetery.

A few things to keep in mind while running: Running isn't about winning, but it's about self-improvement. Also, be sure to stay hydrated and keep your pace. When you feel tired just slowly jog, and then when you're ready, run again! Finally, make sure to take deep breaths while running. It helps...a lot!

~by Marc Rubino



Creative endeavor by 4th grader Eliza S.