

# The Lion's Roar

SAHAG-MESROB ARMENIAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



4TH QUARTER, 2013 - 2014



## Speech Meet

*Altadena, CA May 2014 -*

Sahag-Mesrob Armenian Christian School took part in the annual ACSI Elementary Speech Meet at Pasadena Christian School on Friday, May 16, 2014. Thirty students ranging from first to sixth grades participated in the areas of

Poetry, Fable and Folklore, Bible Memorization, Dramatic Bible Prose, Patriotic Oration, and Original Speech. The talented group of students spent two months preparing for the event. Competitors from eleven Southern California Christian schools, including Sahag-Mesrob were in attendance.

Sahag-Mesrob students successfully presented their speeches in front of an audience of judges, parents, and guests. Overall, Sahag-Mesrob students stood out at the Speech Meet as they have in the past, receiving recognition from the judges for their excellent presentations. Twenty eight students received “**Superior**”, the highest achievement, and two students received “**Excellent**”, the second highest achievement. Each student proudly accepted a ribbon and a certificate from the judges. Later, the school’s principal, Mr. Hovsep Injejikian, recognized the students for their efforts during the school’s weekly assembly. He also acknowledged the tireless efforts of the English teachers in preparing the students for this competition and Mrs. Baharian for coordinating the event.

Sahag-Mesrob Armenian Christian School in Altadena, California, is a member of Association of Christian Schools International, or ACSI. Sahag-Mesrob students participate in ACSI sponsored competitions such as the Elementary Speech Meet, Junior High Speech Meet, Spelling Bee, and the Piano Festival every year.

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# THE PHONE EPIDEMIC

## Original Speech By Sevan Krikorian, 5th Grade

Have you noticed that lately, everywhere you go, almost everyone you see, is busy doing the same thing? I am talking about people being on their phones. I, for one, have noticed it getting worse and worse. Everywhere you go, there is someone on their phone. You can be with a lot of people, but if they are all playing on their phone or staring at their screen, you still feel like you are alone.

*Isaiah 40:21 says: Have you not been paying attention? Have you not been listening? Haven't you heard these stories all your life? Don't you understand the foundation of all things?*

I understand that people need to work and have to get things done on their smart phones; however, there comes a time that you must put it

down, look up, and communicate with the people around you. Some people have actually developed permanent neck damage from looking down at their phones. This is called look down syndrome or L.D.S., and many people have developed this condition from their dreadful habit. Other than developing L.D.S, the bigger issue is the social aspect of it. For example; during Christmas, my cousins were on their phones looking at Facebook, seeing what their friends were doing, instead of enjoying their time with their family in front of them. I have noticed that even in church, people are still on their phones instead of focusing on prayer. Proverbs 4:20-21 says: My son, pay attention to what I say; turn your ear to my words. Do not let them out of your sight. Keep them within your heart.

Next time you are on your phone, ask yourself, is this thing really worth not looking up and enjoying the people in front of you and the world? It is perfectly fine if you just want to play a game on your phone in moderation, but of course in your spare time. The world is not going to end! But, if that few minutes turn into an hour, then 2 hours and so forth, it is not ok. Don't get me wrong I am not perfect either. I still play on my phone too.

We all know phones are here to stay and they do make our life easier, but if people can become a little more aware of their surroundings and the people they are with, the world will be a better place.

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Written by Kindergarten

When I grow up I want to be a nurse. – Tina Garabedian

When I grow up I want to be a football player. – Harut Tatlyan

When I grow up I want to be a teacher. – Christy Basmadjian

When I grow up I want to be a doctor. – Dolliah Bedjakian

When I grow up I want to be a policeman. – Ara Rastguelenian

When I grow up I want to be a ninja. – Sebastian Pepo

When I grow up I want to be a police officer. – Nicole Titizian

When I grow up I want to be the president of the United States  
of America. – Luca Youssefian

When I grow up I want to be a firefighter. – Darron Sarkissian

When I grow up I want to be a veterinarian. – Milya Minassian

# HEROS IN HISTORY!

Written By 1st Graders

(Facts taken from Scholastic's Easy Reader Biographies)



## **Martin Luther King Jr. - Alex M. & David**

Martin Luther's family called him M.L. Martin Luther King lived in Georgia. King's older sister is Christine. Martin Luther King Jr. worked hard at school.

Martin liked to sing and dance. Martin Luther King Jr. changed the laws. Martin Luther King went to Alabama to help stop slavery. Martin Luther King died on April 4.



## **Abraham Lincoln - Isabelle & Johnny**

Abraham Lincoln was our 16th president. Abe liked to read. Abe was a lawyer. He told funny stories to his customers. Abe made speeches. Abe cut a lot of

logs. Abe was born in Kentucky. Abe loved to play with his sons.



## **Harriet Tubman - Victoria & Narod**

Harriet Tubman lived from 1820-1913. Harriet Tubman freed slaves. Harriet Tubman got very sick. Harriet Tubman was a nurse. Harriet Tubman was 5 feet tall. A white man threw an object at

her. The item that was thrown bruised Harriet's forehead. Harriet Tubman was a slave herself.



## **Susan B. Anthony - Brianna & Emma**

Susan B. Anthony started reading when she was three. When she grew up she went to school. She became a teacher when she was 15. She did not get paid as much as male teachers. She

traveled to places telling people to be equal. She got arrested one day for voting. She started selling newspapers about women's rights. In one of her speeches, she said that failure is impossible.



## **Johnny Appleseed - Lily & Sako**

Johnny Appleseed never hunted animals. Apples were a very important fruit for the early settlers. Johnny Appleseed planted apples. Some people say that Johnny Appleseed wore a cooking

pot when he traveled west. Johnny planted his way to India. Johnny loved telling stories to children. Johnny slept under the stars. Johnny ate berries.



## **Rosa Parks - Patil & Silva**

Rosa Parks was born in Alabama. White and black people could not go to the same places. Rosa went to school only for African Americans. There were more than 50 kids in Rosa's

classroom. Rosa Parks could not sit in the front part of the bus. When she did, she got arrested. She is known as the "mother of our country."



### **George Washington - Andre & Garo**

Young George liked to ride horses. George was good at math but not at spelling. At 16, people thought George was a grown up. When George was 20 years old, he joined the army. He married a woman named Martha. George Washington became the first president of the United States of America.



### **Betsy Ross - Alex K. & Emily A.**

Betsy Ross lived from 1752-1836. Betsy's husband joined the army. George Washington wanted a flag for America. The group of men liked Betsy Ross' idea of the flag. The flag had 13 stars and 13 stripes. 13 stood for the colonies. The first flag was made on June 14, 1777.



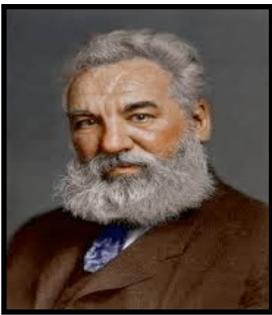
### **Helen Keller - Karina & Alex B.**

Helen Keller was blind and deaf. Helen Keller learned how to read. Helen Keller had a very high fever when she was almost two. She used movements to show what she wanted. Helen wrote a book called "The Story of My Life." Helen Keller could not see or hear, but that did not stop her. She continued reading stories, on and on.



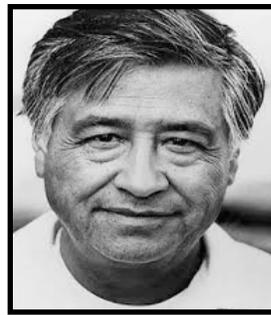
### **Squanto - Michael & Marcus**

Squanto taught the Pilgrims how to fish. Squanto helped the Pilgrims grow food. He taught them how to play games. Squanto lived with the Pilgrims. Squanto ate food with the Pilgrims. Squanto learned how to speak English.



### **Alexander Graham Bell - Anush & Tiana**

Alexander Graham Bell was born in Scotland. He lived from 1847-1922. Alexander Graham Bell invented the first telephone. This telephone was used only to call people who were living in near places. Alexander Graham Bell joined an invention contest for his telephone and won. Alexander's father wanted him to study science. Alexander's mom liked to listen to Alex play piano. Alexander Graham Bell taught deaf people how to talk.



### **Cesar Chavez - Sophia, Emily P., & Nicolas**

Cesar Chavez was born in Arizona in 1927. Cesar's family was sad to move from their home. Cesar didn't want to go to school because the students would make fun of his English. Cesar had 8 children. Cesar helped farm workers. He joined the navy. Cesar died in 1993.

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## Second grade was a blast because...



## I can't wait for third grade because..

### Written By 2nd Grade



**Natalia:** I'm glad I got to learn everything I could in second grade. I loved learning and I enjoyed everything I did. I can't wait for third grade because I want to keep learning everything!

**Nareh:** I'm so glad I got to learn cursive and have Sports Day. I couldn't wait until we started cursive and got to do fun things on Sports Day. Third grade will be a blast because I will do division, do more cursive, more Science, and read more books!



**Mahrie:** I think learning about multiplication and science was a blast. Fossils are so cool. I can't wait for third grade because I want to learn more things!

**Vicken:** Second grade was a blast because of Sports Day and many more things. I think third grade will be a blast because I like to learn.



**Njteh:** Second grade was a blast because I got to be the star student because I worked hard. In third grade I look forward to learning division.

**Roubeena:** Second grade was so much fun and learning cursive was my favorite part of second grade. In third grade I want to learn more and more about everything!



**Brandon:** Second grade was a blast because I got to learn Bible stories, make a fossil, and play soccer in PE. I can't wait for third grade because I want to have Science every day!

**Claudine:** I'm so glad I got to learn everything in second grade. I love learning all the awesome things in Art, Math, Science, and all the other subjects. I'm sad to leave second grade because I had so much fun.



In third grade i look forward to reading and doing math.

**Aram:** Second grade was awesome because we learned about Jesus in Bible and about clip art in Computers!

In third grade I can't wait to do division!

**Bella:** I'm so glad I got to draw and make a self portrait with pastels. I love to use pastels, markers, and paint.

Third grade will be great because there will be fun PE sports. I will have a great and exciting school year.

**Arsen:** Second grade was awesome because I got to go to the new Computer lab and learn clip art.

Third grade will be awesome because I'll get to learn more about computers when we go to the lab.

**Alique:** Second grade was a blast because I got to learn how to play kickball in PE.

I look forward to third grade because I really want to learn division.

**Aren:** Second grade was awesome because we got to learn about multiplication. It's easy because it's all about skip counting.

Third grade will be awesome because I'll learn many new things and one day it will help me to go to college.

**Alexis:** Second grade was awesome because I did things I really liked and learned a lot. I loved art and one day I'm going to be a great artist!

Third grade will be fun because I get to learn more things. I hope to learn more about the oceans in Science.

**Andreas:** I'm proud that I got to learn English because this was my first year in America. If I don't learn English then I can't talk to others. So I'm glad I'm learning.

In third grade I look forward to division.

**Rocco:** Second grade was awesome because I got to learn how go multiply and write in cursive. It was easy to multiply but a little hard to learn cursive. But I think I got the hang of it.

Third grade will be awesome because I will do lots of division in Math.

**Daniella:** Second grade was a blast because I got to learn cursive. I've wanted to learn cursive ever since I was four years old!

I can't wait for third grade so I can keep learning new things.

Goodbye to the outstanding second graders from the teacher that got to teach you every day. I'll miss you greatly! Have a wonderful summer vacation and good luck in third grade! I know you are ready. Whether you're tackling division, writing a report, or learning a poem or two, I'm sure you'll do a fine job because I believe in you!

Love,

Mrs. Aylin Baharian, 2nd Grade Teacher

## SPECIAL THANKS



Mrs. Aylin Baharian with Gasia Bedrosian

"I would like to thank SMACS alumni for volunteering as judges: Deeown Shaverdian, Nareg Kourouyan, Tina Hagopian, Gasia Bedrosian."

- Mrs. Aylin Baharian

# MY FATHER, MY HERO!

WRITTEN BY 3RD GRADE



My father is my hero because every time I am sick, he takes good care of me. He is also my hero because he takes my family and me places, buys food for us, and loves us. I love my dad! By Andrew Mazmanian

My father is my hero because he loves me and cares for me. He is the best dad ever. He always helps me when I'm sad and cheers me up. Thank you dad for everything! I love you so much!  
By Angela Babayan

My father is my hero because he always tries to make enough money to put food on the table. He is my hero because whenever I'm having a hard time on something, he tells me that I can do it.  
By Angelina Khatchikian

My father is my hero because he loves me so much and does everything for me. He buys me hot-fudge ice cream, takes me on bike rides, and teaches me cool tricks. By Alik Mardiros

My father is my hero because he helps me, loves me, and takes care of me. By Armen Darakchyan

My father is my hero because he loves me and cares for me. He buys me things, and helps me in every situation. My dad and I have a lot in common, especially chocolate! One day I hope I can be just like him. I love my dad, he is my hero! By Christina Sahagian

My father is my hero because when I fall he helps me get up. By Christine Avakian

My father is my hero because he taught me how to play soccer, he makes dinner for us, and protects me. He makes me so happy because he's my dad. By Christopher Atme

My father is my hero because he loves me, cares for me, and he's the best dad ever!  
By Hrag Vartabedian

My father is my hero because whenever I feel sad he tells me to be strong like him. He also gives me good advice on what to do to solve my problem. I love him and he loves me!  
By Maria Miwalian

My father is my hero because he has always helped me and saved me. He always buys me whatever I want and he's always there for me. When I am sad, he makes me happy. He is the best dad you can ever have in the whole wide world and I love him so much! By Natel Titizian

My father is my hero because he works hard to get money for us and helps me do math.  
By Shant Bashian

My father is my hero because he knows how to solve problems, he's a great chef, and takes good care of me. But most of all, he knows how to be the best dad! By Talar Sarkissian

My farther is my hero because he is always there for me. I love my dad so much! On weekends, I always go to his house and play basketball with him. By Tro Bekmezian

My farther is my hero because he buys me everything I want and helps me. By Vahram Vartabedian

# LAUGHING WITH 4A

How did the cell phone propose to his girlfriend?

Answer: He gave her a ring!

-Astghik Gasparyan

What did the baby corn ask the Mah-corn?

Answer: Where is Pop-corn?

-Sevana Baghdoyan

What has a head, a tail and is silver?

Answer: A quarter!

-Sevag Sakayan

When I was 3 years old, I literally called 911, and the ambulance came and yelled at me!

-Kristina Agojian

A lizard wants to go to a party with wild animals. But they don't let him in. So his cousin comes in and tells them to him go in. His cousin was a T-Rex.

-Angie Mitilian



What

do you call an elephant and a rhino put together?

Answer: Elephino!

-Emma Haroutonian

I have dog that says "Meow" and a fish that says "Mooooo"!

-Alex Vartanian

When I was a kid, I used to call "Sleeping Beauty", "Slapping Beauty".

-Sarine Nazarian

Knock, Knock.

Whose there?

Postal Service.

Postal Service who?

-No Answer...

-Sarine Yeghiayan

What did the cow say to the man?

"Mooooooooo".

-Sarine Vartabedian

Knock, Knock. Whose there?

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I who?

I drank.

I drank who?

I drank orange juice!

-Shantel Indjian

What eats, but if it drinks, it dies?

Answer: FIRE!

-Sophia Azar

What does the fox say?

Answer: Many Things!

-Aren Aroyan

What goes up and never comes down?

Answer: Your AGE!

-Mrs. Ivette

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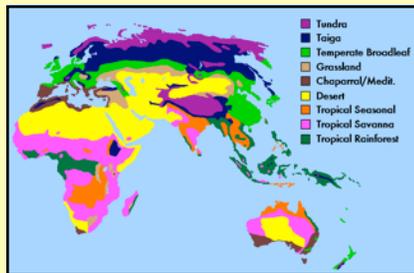
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## Our Favorite Moments in 4B Grade

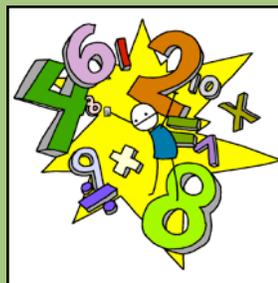


Fourth grade is lots of fun but lots of hard work as well. We have done many interesting and wonderful things throughout the year; but our group has chosen to write about “The Biomes”. We had been studying about different biomes and habitats for science class. Each student was asked to choose a biome and bring it alive.

We had to build our biomes in ordinary shoe box. Then, we had to transform this plain and dull box into a world filled with animals, plants lakes, or oceans. We also had to create an imaginary animal which can live and survive in our biomes.

Because of this project, our class was filled up of grasslands, swamps, rainforests, deserts, and oceans. This project was the most memorable project we did in 4<sup>th</sup> grade.

*By: Liana Chiranian, Tatyana Sevajian, Athena Baghdassarian, and Emily Isakulyan*



A lot of people might not think Math would be the most memorable moment in 4<sup>th</sup> grade; but for our group Math always “Rocked”. Beginning of every single Math class, our class would take “Math Fact Test”. The teacher would give us 50 Math Facts and we needed to solve them in 60 seconds. In the beginning, almost all of the class would solve 20-30 problems in 60 seconds. We would tell the teacher that this is impossible and that we can not do this. In return, she would always say “practice is all you need”. “You will be able to do it, trust me.” We had no choice but to trust our teacher.

Two months later, the majority of the class now was solving 50 Math problems in one minute. Just by being challenged everyday, we realized that we can master just about anything.

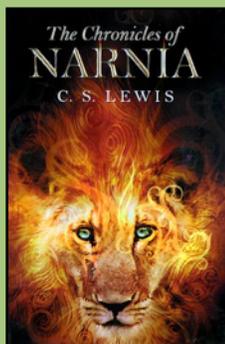
*By: Hagop Kiledjian, Christopher Hamparsomian, and Alec Abdollahian*



Our favorite 4<sup>th</sup> grade memory was when our class had to transform pumpkins into our favorite book character. We had to use yarn, paint, glue gun, pushpins, pumpkins, and buttons.

We had to bring our pumpkins to school and do an oral presentation on why our chosen book character was our favorite. This was such a fun project. The best part was when our pumpkins were put all around the school on Harvest Day for show.

*By: Vicky Sahagian, Silva Avakian, Sonia Darakjian, and Melana Gendal*



In fourth grade our most memorable activity was reading the book Narnia during book club. When we read Narnia, we always entered in a world of imagination and beauty. We used to close our eyes and feel the cold air of Narnia. We discussed about every single character, and how the author brought them to life. There were class secessions when we bagged the teacher to continue reading. For our group this was an amazing experience.

For us 4<sup>th</sup> grade was awesome and we will take with us many fun and memorable memories.

*By: Jeffrey Balian, Shant Yepremian, and Jonathan Postajian*

# 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Memories...

**Names:** Christian Lambajian, David Chepeian, Alex Azilazian, Sosse Minassian, Sevan Krikorian, Heiko Abadjian, Avo Akhian, Hrag Ekmekjian, Tigran Arbyan

**Teachers:** Mrs. Holly, Baron Raffi, Mrs. Nicole, Mrs. Ivette, Coach Jack, Digin Mayda, Baron Sinanyan

## My Favorite Thing About...

### Math:

We like math because we learn and joke around at the same time.

### Art:

We learn about different artists and draw.

### English:

We learn grammar, read books, and learn to write properly.

### Social Studies:

States and capitals bingo! We love learning about the Declaration of Independence and doing our state reports.

### Science:

Doing experiments is our favorite.

### P.E.

We play many different sports and have an awesome coach.

### Music:

Playing different instruments together is fun.

### Computers:

Funbrain is our favorite!

### Armenian/Armenian History:

The Armenian poems are interesting.

### Bible:

We like to praise God.



Հինգերորդ Դասարանի  
**Պտույտը Դէպի Ծիլիան**



Ես Ծիլիան գացի իմ ընկերներուս եւ ծնողքիս հետ: Հինգշաբթի առաւօտ հաւաքուեցանք եւ միասին նախաճաշեցինք, որմէ ետք ինքնաշարժով գացինք Ծիլիան:

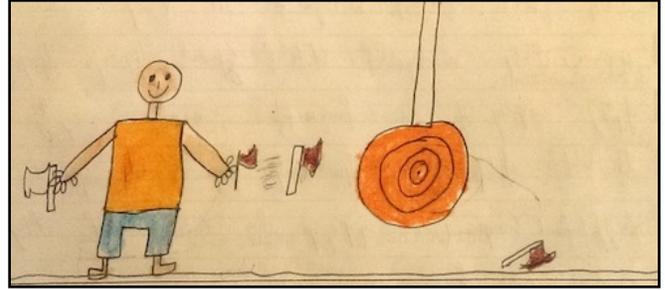
Առաջին տեղը որ գացինք «Սմիթ Ռենչ»-ն էր: Հոն ոսկի փնտտեցինք եւ պարանի մը վրայէն քալեցինք: Սորվեցանք թէ ինչպէս մարդիկ ժամանակին լուացք կ'ընէին: Մենք հին օրերու ձեռով լուացինք մեր հագուստները: Ընթրիքէն ետք մենք գացինք աստղերը դիտեցինք: Հեռադիտակով տեսանք երկու մոլորակներ եւ բազմաթիւ աստղեր: Վերադարձանք պանդոկ եւ շատ յոգնած քնացանք:

Ուրբաթ նախաճաշելէ ետք ձուկ որսալու գացինք: Ես ձկնորսութիւն չէի գիտեր, բայց սորվեցայ: Հալքոն, Քրիսչընը եւ Տիգրանը ձուկ որսացին: Ծաշէն ետք մենք արշալի գացինք: Ատկէ ետք ալ մենք կառքով պտըտեցանք:

Վերջին բանը որ միասին ըրինք գացինք «Խնձորով Փլիթ» ուտելու, յետոյ վերադարձանք մեր տուները:

Ես եւ ընկերներս շատ լաւ ժամանակ անցուցինք միասին: Կը մաղթեմ, որ այսպէս ուրախ ժամանակ անցընենք մեր ութերորդ դասարանի պտույտին դէպի Ուաշինկթըն:

Սօսէ Մինասեան



Մեր դէպի Ծիլիան դասարանային պտույտին ինքնաշարժով գացինք: Երեք ու կէս ժամ տեսց մինչեւ հասնինք հոն: Նախ գացինք Սմիթ Ագարակը, ուր շատ զբաղումներ կային: Յետոյ գացինք Ամերիկեան քաղաքացիական պատերազմին մասին սորվելու: Հոն այժերուն կերակրեցինք եւ հաւերուն ետեւէն վազեցինք, որպէսզի բռնենք զանոնք:

Բաւական մը հոն վազվզելէ ետք գացինք ոսկի գտնելու, հոս սորվեցանք նաեւ սուրհանդակին գործին մասին: Մենք շատ բան սորվեցանք հին օրերու կենցաղին մասին:

Երեկոյեան աստղերը դիտելու գացինք եւ մարդ մը մեզի աշխարհի մոլորակներուն եւ տիեզերքին մասին խօսեցաւ: Ապա մենք ձիերու լծուած կառքին մէջ նստեցանք եւ քաղաքին շուրջը դարձանք: Հիանալի ժամանակ անցուցինք:

Վերջին օրը բոլորս միասին գացինք կարկանդակ ուտելու եւ տուն վերադարձանք:

Շատ լաւ պտույտ մըն էր այս մեր ընկերներուն հետ, որ նաեւ զիս անլի մօտեցուց իմ ընկերներուս:

Հրակ Էքմէքճեան



# KOMITAS MUSIC SCHOOL 5 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

*2014 marks the anniversary of the Sahag-Mesrob Armenian Christian School's Komitas Music School. Directed by Artashes and Zhanna Sinanyan, Komitas Music School is held every Saturday, offering lessons in Piano, Voice, Violin, Drums, Guitar, and more. Congratulations on reaching such a great milestone!*

*- Ani Kenderian*



# SMACS Art Gallery

*Beautiful and creative artwork, created by our amazing artists.*



Stephanie Khatchikian  
Cat Sketching, 7th Grade



David Chepeian  
Pastel Owl, 5th Grade



Savannah Minassian  
Dog Sketching, 7th Grade



Sabrina Pelenghian  
Pastel, 6th Grade



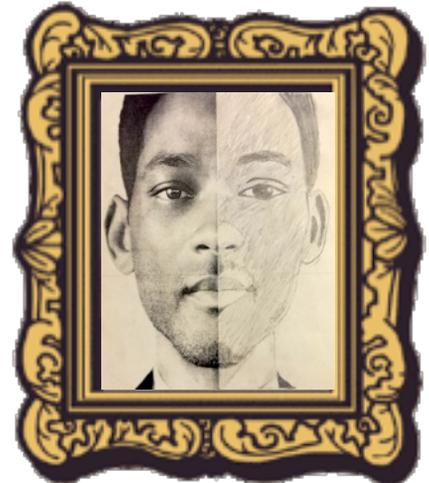
Isabelle Mazmanian  
Fabric Art, 6th Grade



Tania Balian  
Face Symmetry, 7th Grade



Michael Raad  
Pastel Flower, 6th Grade



Harout Nazarian  
Face Symmetry, 7th Grade

# 8th Grade Canvas Art



Karen Bosnoian  
Canvas, 8th Grade



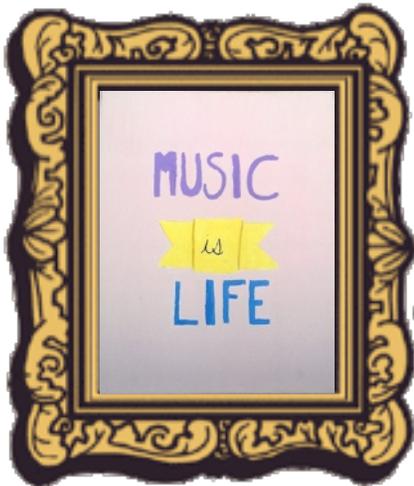
Tamar Donoyan  
Canvas, 8th Grade



Savannah Bedjakian  
Canvas, 8th Grade



Talia Kazandjian  
Canvas, 8th Grade



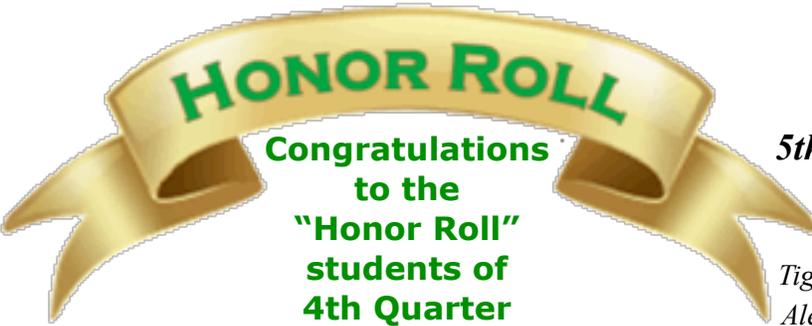
Rita Tajerian  
Canvas, 8th Grade



Harout Sulahian  
Canvas, 8th Grade



Karina Kozakjian  
Canvas, 8th Grade



# HONOR ROLL

## Congratulations to the "Honor Roll" students of 4th Quarter

### **Kindergarten**

Christy Basmadjyan  
Tina Garabedian  
Ara Rastguelenian  
Nicole Titizian  
Luca Youssefian

### **1st Grade**

Andre Abdollahian  
Emily Arabyan  
Alexandra Babayan  
Brianna Balian  
Lily Balian  
Silva Basmadjyan  
Narod Ekmekjian  
Alexandra Karamanoukian  
Sarkis Kiledjian  
Isabelle Kizirian  
Alex Muradian  
Sophia Panossian  
Garo Poladian  
Victoria Postajian  
Michael Sahagian  
Nicolas Semerjian  
Patil Tajerian  
Tiana Tatikian

### **2nd Grade**

Natalia Abadjian  
Daniella Agojian  
Roubeena Akmakjian  
Alexis Avakian  
Claudine Azilazian  
Njteh Girichian  
Nareh Kiledjian  
Alique Klahejian  
Vicken Kouladjian  
Aren Minassian  
Bella Youssefian

### **3rd Grade**

Angela Babayan  
Andrew Mazmanian  
Maria Miwalian  
Christina Sahagian  
Natel Titizian

### **4(a) Grade**

Sophia Azar  
Kristina Agojian  
Astghik Gasparyan  
Emma Haroutonian  
Shantel Indjian  
Angie Mitilian  
Sarine Nazarian  
Sevag Sakayan  
Sarine Vartabedian

### **4(b) Grade**

Alec Abdollahian  
Athena Baghdassarian  
Jeffrey Balian  
Liana Chiranian  
Sonia Darakjian  
Melana Gendal  
Christopher Hamparsomian  
Emily Isakulyan  
Hagop Kiledjian  
Jonathan Postajian  
Vicky Sahagian  
Tatyana Sevajian  
Shant Yepremian

### **5th Grade**

Heiko Abadjian  
Avedis Akhian  
Tigran Arabyan  
Alexander Azilazian

David Chepeian

Hrag Ekmekjian  
Sevan Krikorian  
Christian Lambajian  
Sosse Minassian

### **6th Grade**

Joseph Atme  
Andrew Dabbaghian  
Shoghik Gasparyan  
Lara Gendal  
Susan Kazarian  
Isabelle Mazmanian  
Mireille Minassian  
Sabrina Pelenghian  
Marianne Sahagian

### **7th Grade**

Alex Avanesyan  
Tania Balian  
Christina Chiranian  
Alex Deravedissian  
Stephanie Khatchikian  
Savannah Minassian  
Harout Nazarian  
Andrew Tatevosian  
Liana Tatevosian  
Tamar Yepremian

### **8th Grade**

Kareen Bosnoian  
Tamar Donoyan  
Talia Kazandjian  
Rita Tajerian

# ★ STAR STUDENTS ★

## 4th QUARTER

**Kindergarten**

Christy Basmadjyan  
 Dolliah Bedjakian  
 Tina Garabedian  
 Milya Minassian  
 Ara Rastguelenian  
 Nicole Titizian

**3rd Grade**

Shant Bashian  
 Tro Bekmezian  
 Armen Darakchyan  
 Angelina Khatchikian  
 Alik Mardiros  
 Maria Miwalian  
 Christina Sahagian  
 Natel Titizian

**5th Grade**

Heiko Abadjian  
 Avo Akhian  
 Tigran Arabyan  
 Alex Azilazian  
 David Chepeian (2)  
 Sevan Krikorian  
 Sosse Minassian

**1st Grade**

Emma Deravedissian  
 Alexandra Karamanoukian  
 Isabelle Kizirian  
 Emily Pogosyan  
 Garo Poladian  
 Michael Sahagian  
 Patil Tajerian

**4 (a)**

Sophia Azar  
 Astghik Gasparyan  
 Shantel Indjian  
 Angie Mitilian  
 Sarine Nazarian  
 Sevag Sakayan  
 Sarine Vartabedian

**6th Grade**

Lara Gendal  
 Vicken Jemelian  
 Michael Raad

**2nd Grade**

Mahrie Bedjakian  
 Njteh Girichian  
 Aram Kenderian  
 Nareh Kiledjian  
 Alique Klahejian  
 Andreas Minassian  
 Aren Minassian  
 Bella Youssefian

**4 (b)**

Alec Abdollahian  
 Silva Avakian (2)  
 Sonia Darakjian  
 Emily Isakulyan  
 Hagop Kiledjian  
 Tatyana Sevajian (2)

**7th Grade**

Nicole Garabedian  
 Raquel Indjian  
 Stephanie Khatchikian  
 Dalida Mosesi  
 Sebastien Postajian  
 Liana Tatevosian

**TEACHER'S CORNER**



**Name:** Aylin Baharian

**Title:** 2nd Grade Homeroom

**Birthplace:** Istanbul, Turkey

**Hobbies:** Gardening, reading, photography, all things 2nd grade

**Dislikes:** Rainy days, deadlines, prejudice, cruelty of any kind

**3 items I can't live without:** Books, sunglasses, flip flops, the sun

**Favorite Color:** Turquoise

**Favorite Movies:** Breakfast at Tiffany's, The Sound of Music, Harold and Maude, Shirley Valentine

**Favorite Animal:** I love cats! The more the merrier!

**Favorite Books:** The Little Prince, The Golden Notebook, The Brothers Karamazov, Anna Karenina, Long Walk to Freedom, Istanbul: Memories and the city

**What have your students taught you?** They've taught me so much over the years. Through them I've learned to never be in a hurry to judge, don't rush, reach out, believe that it is possible for good to come out of even the worst situation, and that tomorrow is another day.

**What is your favorite part about teaching?** I love to read and to tell stories all the time.

**Message to Students:** School will one day be only a memory. Make the best of it while you can. Embrace learning, listen to advice, set goals and pursue them with diligence. Most importantly, believe in yourself. You can do great things!



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