

# The Learning Center Newsletter: Voyager Edition March 19th, 2021



## Novices

This week has been pretty busy for the Novices who have been doing lots of fun problem-solving group projects such as STEM projects where they are focused on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math! They have also been creating different St. Patrick's Day-themed projects. They created hanging buckets to keep their gold away from the leprechaun that had to be suspended all on their own. They had so much fun collaborating and problem-solving together!

The Novices also attempted to catch the all-mighty Leprechaun by setting clever traps to try to get him to stay and show us his pot of gold. But instead, he made an adventurous escape, again. Everything was messed up and crazy.

The Novices plan to start a new theme with Mysteries where they will search to unlock secret codes. During movement, music, and drama the Novices have been finishing up their song. In French, they have been learning colors. They're almost finished with French and excited to start Phy. Ed. soon!.

Reporting By Tiernan Zinz



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## Players

The Players have been busy this week with lots of Saint Patrick's Day fun! On Tuesday the online learners were invited back into the classroom to help make traps for the Leprechaun. Even still, the tricky Leprechaun managed to get away and mess up the entire classroom!

On Wild Wednesday they read a story about the changing of seasons then searched high and low for signs of spring in Huidekoper Park. In honor of the Leprechaun, their search focused on finding green. Out of all of the things that they found, most of it was skunk cabbage!

For math the Players practiced making their word problems, using the Leprechaun for inspiration of course. In art class, they tie-dyed cloth and started painting the beehive for our new building next year. For literacy the BFG group is almost done, The Witch group is questioning the plausibility of the scenario, and the BoxCar Children group just finished! Overall, it has been a great week in the Players' room.

Reporting By Rowan Glenn





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## Apprentices

The Apprentices have been very busy this past week. They worked on their Leprechaun traps to prepare for St. Patrick's Day. They enjoyed the mayhem created by the Leprechaun. The Apprentices also had a Leprechaun-themed math class.

The class president proposed an amendment to the constitution recently. This was approved, and on Friday it was adopted. It introduces some changes to their indoor recess policy.

In their study of economics, they worked with currency in their village. This week they got to use the currency for the first time.

On Pi Day the Apprentices wanted to see who could remember the most digits of Pi. One hundred digits is the record.

Reporting by Kayden Bizzaro



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## Voyagers

The Voyagers have had a lot of fun this week!! The Bubble Guppies math group just finished solving equations and inequalities. They are now moving into a study of geometry. The Quarantiners math group is doing order of operations and they have a quiz on Monday. The Die Mendes group is working on adding, subtracting, multiplying, dividing, and factoring polynomials as well as discovering rules of exponents.

In Theme, all three groups are learning about The Silk Road and who traveled it.

The Voyagers have also been reading a lot. One of the groups is reading *The Family Romanov* about how the Royal Romanov family lost their rule over Russia. The other group is reading *Through My Eyes* which is about a little girl named Ruby Bridges going through the Civil Rights Movement.

In Writing Workshop Ellen's group is learning about poetry and writing poems. Chris's group is working on a research paper about transformative change. Students chose a variety of topics. One student is doing his research paper on the change of video game consoles, another is researching wood frogs.

Reporting by Rylan Garrison



The Voyagers were excited to return to the Meadville Public Library this week.