

**Arts Learning Community Newsletter
Sausalito Marin City School District
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**“Peace is not merely a distant goal that we seek,
but a means by which we arrive at that goal.”
-Martin Luther King, Jr.**



**Dear Parents and Guardians,
We are already into the month of October, and many exciting projects, installations, and collaborations are happening in the Sausalito Marin City School District!**

***** In the beginning of September, Ms. Brooke collaborated with third grade artists from Bayside and Willow Creek to create a colorful peace sign (see above image) using chalk that was created in celebration of the International Holiday, Peace One Day. <http://www.peaceoneday.org/en/welcome> Students came together and drew symbols within the large peace sign form. Vibrant images of trees, flowers, and people united floated over the blacktop surface between room 17 and the library.

***** Ms. Brooke also initiated the Hopes and Dreams project. All grades were invited to share their hopes and dreams (visually or written), and the tags were displayed hanging on multi-colored ribbons throughout the walkway from the Bayside office to the Willow Creek campus. During the back-to-school nights, parents and members of families and the community were also invited to participate. <http://youthinarts.org/blog/hopes-and-dreams-project-at-sausalitomarincity>

***** Mr. K-Dub is building vibrant studio spaces, and strong visual art practices with the MLK and Willow Creek Middle School students. They are presently working on a value project using colored pencils.



K-8 Music Specialists, Allen Biggs and Greg Gomez have been bringing students together through drumming, strumming, singing, movement, and listening. Great sounds are being projected from Room 13!



Ms. Brooke and Ms. Ascha hosted the K/1 Parent Child Arts Workshop in the Bayside Multi-purpose room. 50 people attended, and it was a beautiful evening that began with dinner created by Kelly Browning, the gardening intern with Growing Great. www.growinggreat.org As the night unfolded, families were engaged in collaborating, exploring materials, and reflecting on the work.

It was exciting to see the multi-purpose room transformed into an art studio!

***** **Parent Volunteer Recognition!** *****

Thank you, Anna, for helping Ms. Brooke in Ms. Perez's class!

We appreciate your time and support.

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