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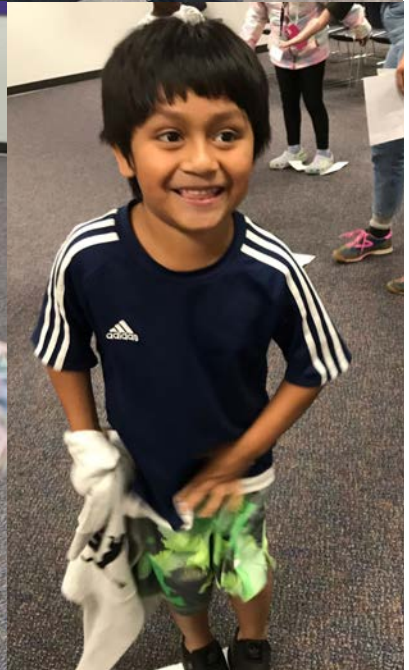
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ODYSSEY ARBORETUM COMMUNITY MEET-UP

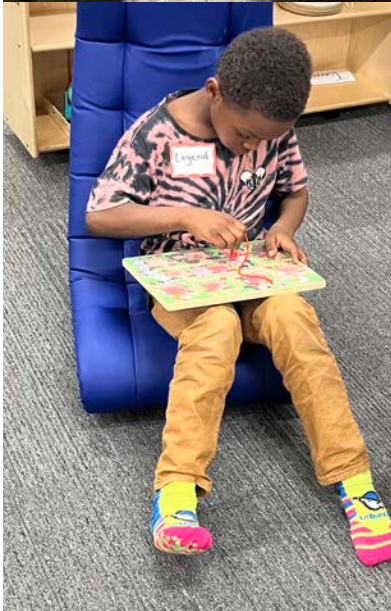
Thank you for joining us on September 24th for our first Community Meet-Up! We had a blast sharing snacks, hiking, drawing, and identifying native plants in the early fall weather. The UW Arboretum was a perfect location to start making connections and building our community this semester!



TUESDAY TUTORING



Tuesday Drop-in Tutoring has begun at 2238 S. Park St. Our staff and volunteers are available from 5 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday, where Odyssey Junior students can read, write, make arts and crafts, and do homework.



READ TO A DOG WITH GO TEAM THERAPY DOGS!

On Wednesday, October 5th, Go Team Therapy Dogs visited Odyssey Junior. Kids of all ages got to meet Go Team's wonderful canine squad: Sully, Max, Ace, Patton, Cody, and Shiloh. Odyssey Junior students were able to read, sit, or play with the furry, vest-wearing professionals intermittently throughout the night. Kids ran up to parents at the end of the night exclaiming, "Mom, I got to read to a dog tonight!"





BABY BADGERS

Heard from the Baby Badgers:

“Can you clean my hands?” (Dream)



“Can you put this in the garbage please?” (Dynast)



“That's okay. You messed up.” (Ramzi)



“I’m going to put my baby to bed.” (Priya)



Observations from Lead Teachers Ellie and Haley:

She loves dancing to 'We Don't Talk About Bruno'. **(Luna)**



She is always giving out hugs to the teachers and her friends! **(Keziah)**



The smiliest and tiniest baby badger! **(Ocean)**



She loves having "picnics" with her teachers and friends. **(Narai)**



He shares things with his friends when they are sad. **(Ozzy)**



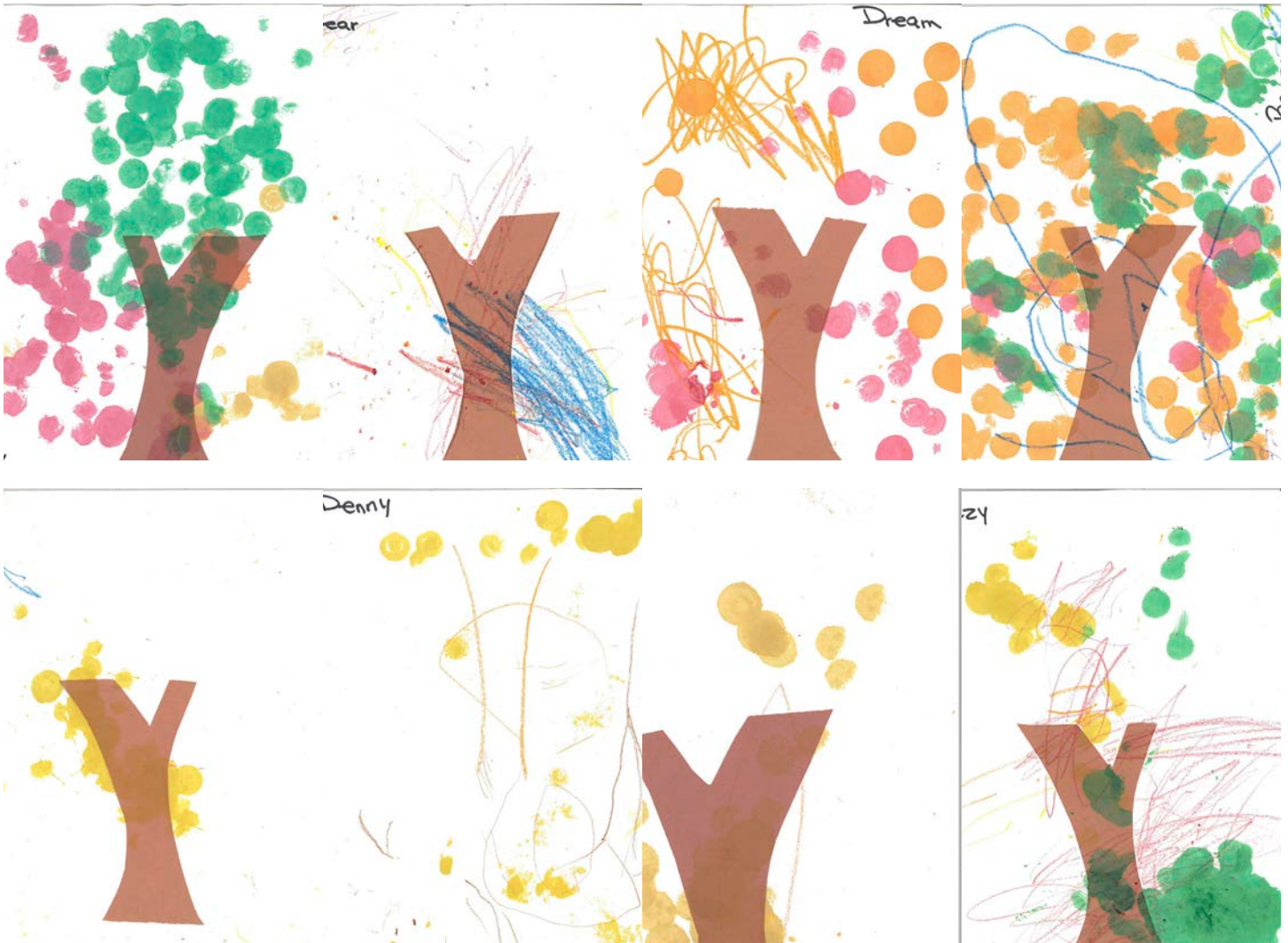
He loves climbing and exploring the classroom! **(Junior)**

He loves bananas! **(Nymir)**



He enjoys stacking rings with his friends! **(Bear)**

Baby Badgers learn about the changing seasons and create trees with falling leaves using paint markers.



SCOUTS

Literally Arts

Odyssey Junior is celebrating a return to in-person experiences for so many wonderful activities and programs this fall. One of the activities that made its return this Wednesday was the Literally Arts program! Literally Arts pairs an art, music, and movement activity with a children's book. This week we explored the alphabet and bugs by reading *Kippers A to Z* and *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*. Kipper the dog collects bugs in a box during his alphabet adventure, so the Scouts created their own "Bugs in a Box" artwork using colored construction paper shapes, crayons, and glue sticks. We sang the famous C is for Cookie song from Sesame Street, and started learning about African Birds, their songs, and their movements as a first step toward African dance, song, and drumming activities.



The Scouts are enjoying getting to know their new classroom! Here are Lead Teacher Raquel's observations:

Majesty enjoys the knobbed cylinder toys and puzzles.



Aiyanna enjoys service dogs and playing with her friends.

Azalea enjoys books, singing songs, and cutting paper.

Analia enjoys building with blocks and coloring with markers.

Tommie enjoys playing games like duck-duck-goose and playing with the parachute.

Antwon enjoys football and basketball.





Rexley enjoys Pokémon books and playing hide and seek.



Kaliana enjoys painting and playdough.

Camilla enjoys baby dolls and pasting with glue and paper.

Zola enjoys the doll house and pretend kitchen.

Empriss enjoys creating art and helping younger children.



EXPLORERS

I AM

My name is Zaria. I am kind, helpful, silly, funny, active, smart, loving, and curious. I love my Mom, Dad, Kate, Zawi, Zion, Kingston, and Coco. I dream of becoming an astronaut. I am good at saving planets. I am from South Sudan. Only I know how to be me! **(Zaria)**



My name is Ricky/RJ. I am kind, helpful, silly, funny, smart, and curious. I love the show American Dad. I dream of being a boxing champ. I am good at playing Roblox, boxing, and soccer. I am from Madison, WI. Only I know how to be me! **(Ricky)**

My name is Alex. I am kind, helpful, silly, funny, and smart. I love my dad. I dream of figuring out what is inside of space and every single planet. I am good at soccer. I am from Mexico. Only I know how to be me! **(Alex)**

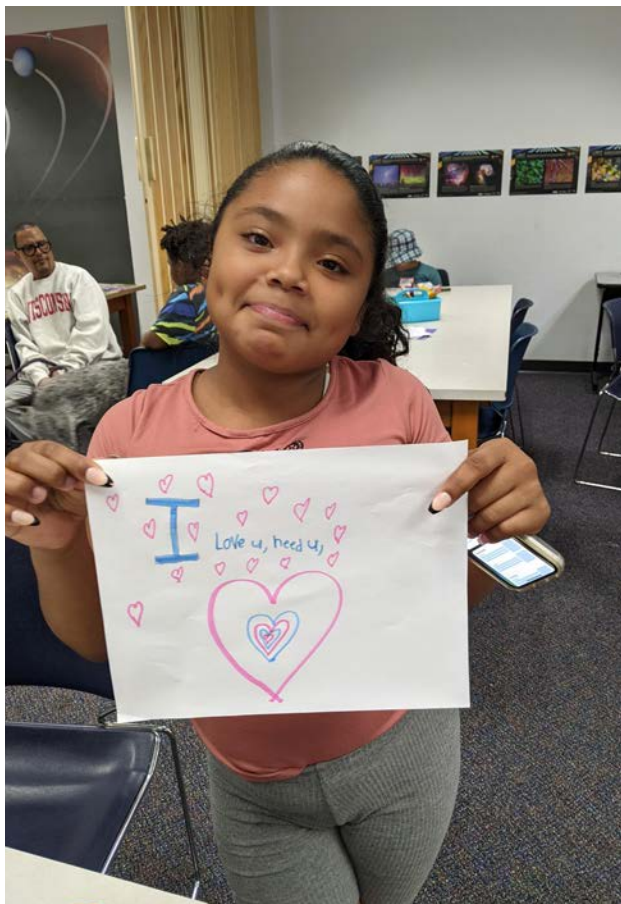
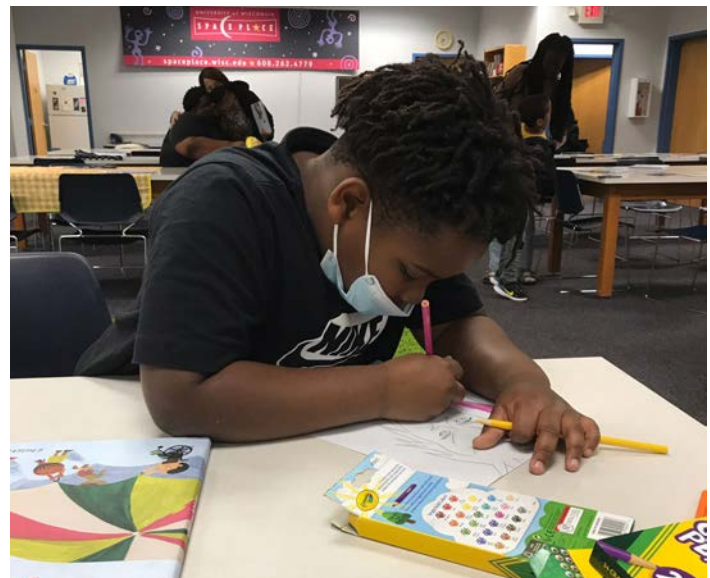
My name is Irie. I am kind, helpful, artistic, silly, funny, active, smart, loving, and curious. I love drawing, basketball, and my parents. I dream of meeting my favorite YouTuber, being known, being rich, and helping poor people. I am good at drawing, basketball, and being kind. I am from Fitchburg, WI. Only I know how to be me! **(Irie)**





My name is Legend. I am kind, helpful, artistic, silly, funny, active, smart, and loving. I love school. I dream of flying. I am good at bottle flipping. I am from Minnesota. Only I know how to be me! **(Legend)**

My name is Omarion. I am kind, helpful, artistic, silly, funny, active, smart, loving, and curious. I love Samari, Mom, Dad, and my brother. I dream of being a rich football player. I am good at football and gaming. I am from Madison, WI. Only I know how to be me! **(Omarion)**

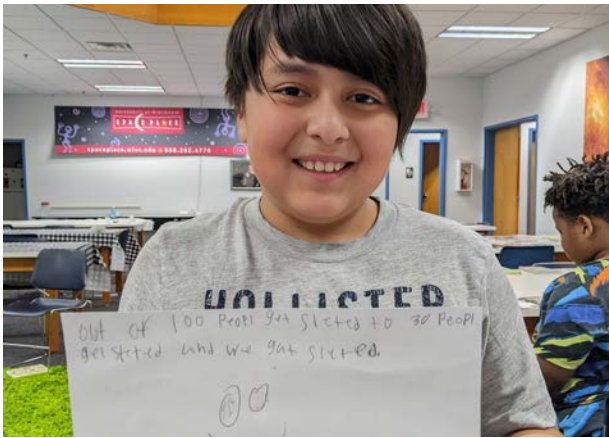


I am cute! I am kind! I am smart! I am loving! I am independent! I am an artist! I am funny! I am fun! I am good at math! I am an Odyssey member. I am good at soccer! I am ME! Only I know how to be ME! Purrr. **(Cielo)**

My name is Rylan. I am helpful, silly, active, and smart. I love music, dancing sometimes, and singing. I dream of having a Lambo and a mansion. I am good at singing, video games, and math. I am from Madison, WI. Only I know how to be me! **(Rylan)**



My name is Kai. I am kind, helpful, artistic, silly, funny, active, smart, loving, and curious. I love Pokémon music. I am good at Pokémon. I am American, but my mom is Ecuadorian. Only I know how to be me! **(Kai)**



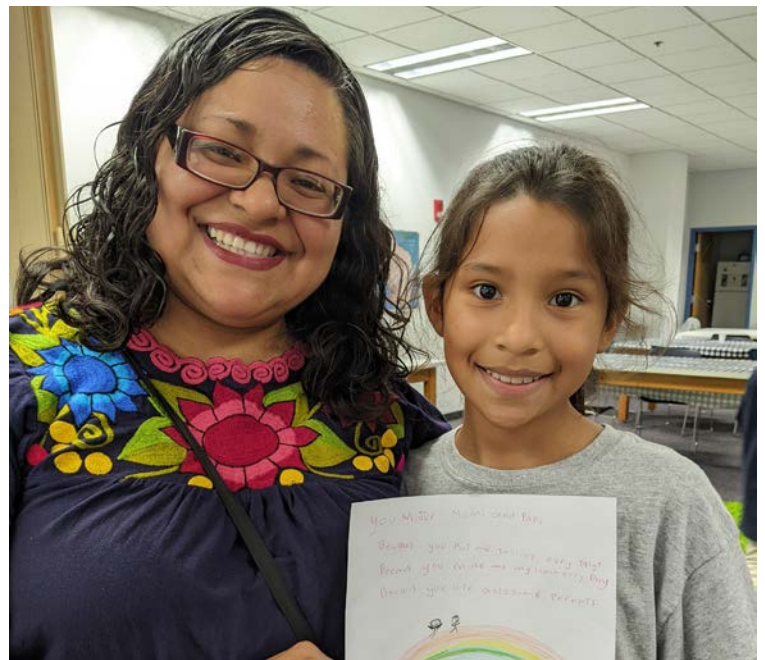
I am fun. I am cute. I am loving. I am a reader. I am a scientist. I am an artist. I am an Odyssey member. I am a gymnast. Only I know how to be me. I am me. **(Princeton)**

I am kind, artistic, loving, and smart. I love art because it makes me feel powerful and hardworking. I dream of being a famous artist and singer. I am good at being helpful because I like to see people smile. I am from the U.S. in Madison, Wisconsin! Only I know how to be me and I'm still learning. **(Emily)**

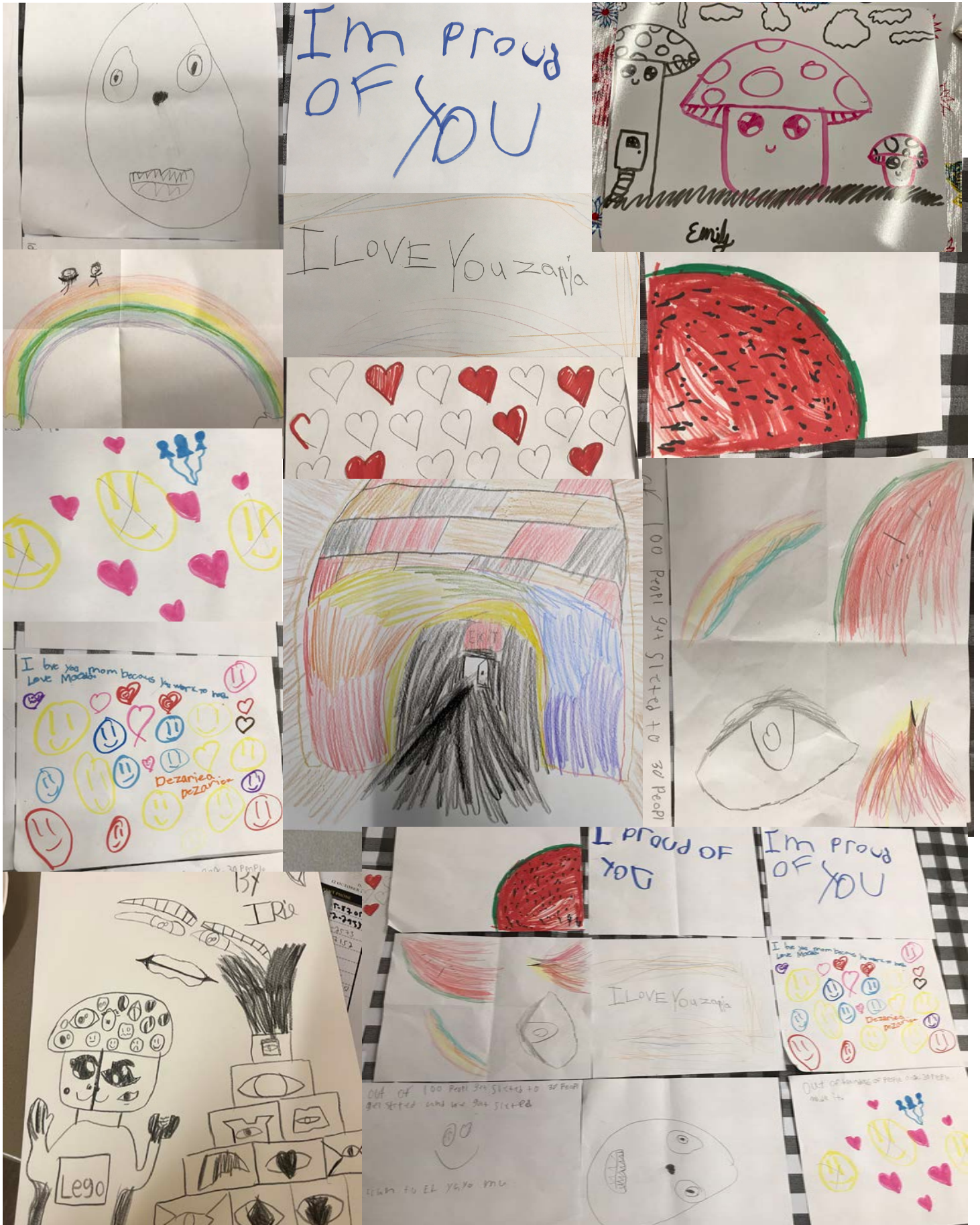
I am artistic, silly, funny, active, smart, and loving. I love my Mom and my Dad, my sister, and my cousin. I dream of going to my old school because I miss my old friends. I am good at roasting people, it is fun. I am from Madison, WI and was born there. Trust the process! Only I know how to be me! **(DeZariae)**



My name is Fabian. I am kind, helpful, artistic, silly, funny, smart, loving, and curious. I love my cousins. My family is really big, I mean there are a lot of us. I dream of visiting Mexico and I am so happy that I am going next year. I am good at video games- Minecraft and Roblox mostly. I am from the U.S. Only I know how to be me! **(Fabian)**



EXPLORERS ART



HOW MUSIC MAKES ME FEEL

Spy Ninjas is my favorite music! They got weapons. **(Legend)**

I like rap music because it's good to listen to and there's a lot of good artists in the genre. Notorious BIG is my favorite. Music makes me feel good and it's like, calming. **(Irie)**



I like Selena because she has parents from Mexico like my parents. It makes me feel happy when I listen to it. **(Emily)**



I like 90's rock. It's hard (that means it's cool). It makes me feel excited and energetic! **(Kai)**

I like rap music because it is fire! It makes me feel like fighting someone! It gives me energy. I made a picture about King Von because he's dead. **(Princeton)**





I like old music like The Jackson 5 and rap music. My family is all about music. We all listen to music. My uncle makes music. Listening to this music makes me feel happy. **(Rylan)**

I like playing guitar and drums and listening to a bunch of music. I play just for myself, not in front of other people. I feel good when I listen to music. **(Fabian)**

Marisol likes music and roses. **(Marisol)**

I like Walk N' Step because it's a dance on TikTok. When I'm doing the dance I feel happy. **(Dezariea)**

I like Country Road. I like it because I like it. It makes me feel happy. **(Zaria)**

I like to listen to country and rap music. I like when they sing. When I listen to rap I yell it and it gives me energy. **(Omarion)**



I like listening to rap like King Von and Durk. I like it because I know all the songs to those people and I like singing along. It makes me feel good and excited! **(Cielo)**

I like listening to all kinds of music. I like listening to music in my room. It makes me feel calm. **(Lexi)**

ADVENTURERS

WHO I AM AND WHERE I'M GOING



My name is Alexander, and I like dogs, cars, family, and video games. **(Alexander)**

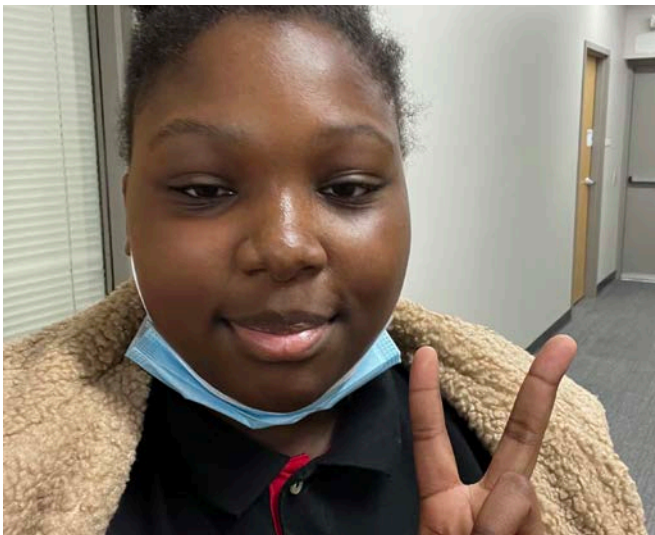
My name is Miguel and I like my name because it is, like, good. **(Miguel)**



My name is Zion and I'm 12 years old. I love basketball, music, and I run track and field and do high jump. **(Zion)**

I forget why I'm here, but if you wake up in the morning and the sun did not rise, you have died. **(Zinedine)**

Michael Myers is where my name came from. I got it from my older brother Jay, because he liked Michael Myers. **(Michael)**



Just be yourself, and don't listen to anyone else. **(Cheyene)**

IN 10 YEARS...



In 10 years, I hope to see myself in the NBA. It's always been my dream. I hope I make it to college at either Duke, North Carolina, Purdue, UCLA, or Kentucky. Plus UW. **(Zion)**

In 10 years, I see myself in college working toward a medical degree. **(Symone)**



HOW MUSIC MAKES ME FEEL

I personally really enjoy [the band] Loathe because they have various types of music genres such as rock, metal, dreamy, and more all put into one song! I enjoy Nu-Metal a ton and it's personally one of my favorite genres as well. I also enjoy



shoegaze, too. Loathe is technically a metal band. Loathe's music is very relatable to listen to, so I enjoy listening to them. Listening to Loathe is living a dream in real life. I could listen to Loathe when I'm feeling sad, mad, happy, etc. I rate Loathe a 20 out of 10! **(Eli)**



WHAT ARE YOU MOST AFRAID OF?

Dentist's needles. **(Andy)**

Wait, let me think. Okay. Capuchins, the monkeys. It's the opposable thumbs. **(Chris)**



MEMORIAL UNION TOUR ON 10/12/2022

On Odyssey Day, the Adventurers took a tour of Memorial Union to learn more about UW Madison campus culture and the sorts of events that happen there. They toured the building and the terrace, met a cursed Bucky Badger statue, and shared ice cream in the common rooms.

