Physical Education
First grade students took part in an activity that required teamwork and good communication skills. Students
worked together to gather musical instruments and come up with a "team beat". While standing in the center of the gym surrounded by our "homemade" orchestras, each team performed all locomotor skills represented by each team's beat

## Hebrew

Through an interactive activity, students in grades 1-4 learned about



the Ariel Sharon Park in Israel – an environmental park established on the former Hiriya waste dump outside of Tel Aviv.

Lunch/Snacks



Students enjoyed Paraguayan cuisine that included bori bori soup, beef and

vegetarian empanadas, mashed yucca, guiso popo, "I love Paraguay" salad and chipa, a traditional Paraguayan morning snack.

### **Finale**

Musician, Inbar Paz and her ensemble treated our students to an interactive



performance, highlighting the sounds of the individual instruments and then the sound as they play together. The Lower school theme of "Better Together" was evident!



"Buried in the trash was music. And buried in themselves was something to be proud of." - Susan Hood

## For more information:

## Websites

- Orquesta de Reciclados de Cateura recycledorchestracateura.com
- Landfill Harmonic

landfillharmonicmovie.com

**Videos** 

The Recyclers: From Trash Comes Triumph
www.youtube.com/watchv=YxUuKthY1dQ

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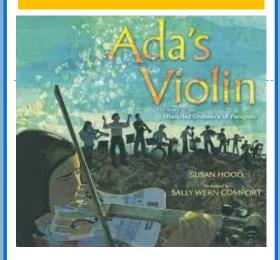
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# Ada's Violin:

The story of the recycled orchestra of Paraguay by Susan Hood

Illustrated by Sally Wern Comport



# **Guest Extraordinaire!**

Itzhak Perlman, worldrenowned violin virtuoso and conductor, has won numerous honors, including 16 Grammy and 4 Emmy awards, the



Presidential Medal of Freedom and Israel's Genesis Prize. He spoke about his life as a violinist, answered questions from our students and, of course, entertained us with his music.

### **Author Visit**



Author Susan Hood has written hundreds of books for children ages 1-8 and was scheduled to speak to our students on our original date. Unfortunately due to Book Day's last minute

postponement, she was unable to join us.

### Panambi Vera

Panambi Vera, a Paraguayan folkloric

dance group, conducted a workshop for each grade. Students learned about



Paraguayan history, art, food, language and culture through the use of props, music and movement.

#### Art

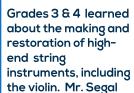




## Music

To prepare for Book Day, students in Grades 1-4 learned about the versatility of the violin. They listened and moved along to various genres of music highlighting the violin. They then analyzed the tempo, dynamics and overall tone of each piece as represented by famously skilled musicians: Izhak Perlman: Classical, Klezmer; Miri Ben-Ari: Hip Hop; Stephane Grappelli: Jazz; Mark O'Connor: Bluegrass.

## David Segal, luthier





trained in Cremona, Italy at the International School of Violin Making . Since 1975, he has maintained his own studio in New York City where he continues to make new instruments as well as repair and restore stringed instruments.

## **Hearing the Sounds of Music**





## STEAM

Drawing on their engineering skills, First Graders reused cardboard tubes to create unique architectural structures.



Second Grade students explored the app Duckie Deck Homemade Orchestra, which allowed them to understand that objects in their everyday life could be used to create music. They then looked



around the classroom for an object they wanted to use to create a sound. Finally, they worked together as a class to make a school supply

#### band.



Third Grade students are studying reducing, reusing, and recycling. They created a bottle cap mural STEAM project to bring awareness to the amount of plastic we consume and transform it into a work of art.

In the weeks leading up to Book Day, Fourth Grade students designed and created electronic instruments out of recycled cardboard, coded their sounds in Scratch and played their instruments by connecting them to Makey Makeys and a computer.

