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

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Websites
- Orquesta de Reciclados de Cateura
  recycledorchestracateura.com
- Landfill Harmonic
  landfillharmonicmovie.com
Videos
The Recyclers: From Trash Comes Triumph
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**Guest Extraordinaire!**

Itzhak Perlman, world-renowned 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**

Grades 2 & 4 painted as they listened to various genres of music, including jazz, classical and blues.

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**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: Itzhak Perlman: Classical, Klezmer; Miri Ben-Ari: Hip Hop; Stephane Grappelli: Jazz; Mark O’Connor: Bluegrass.

**David Segal, luthier**

Grades 3 & 4 learned about the making and restoration of high-end string instruments, including the violin. Mr. Segal 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**

Ramaz parent, Dr. Jason Moche, ENT, spoke to our students about sound, hearing and protecting our ears so we can continue to enjoy the sounds around us.