

Learner Story: Student voice



Who I am: [REDACTED]

I'm in grade: [REDACTED]

My teacher is: [REDACTED]

My friends are: [REDACTED], but I like most of the kids in my class.

My hobbies are: I like art of any kind, painting, drawing, colouring, everything. I like when my mom does art with me. I also like to play on my tablet and watch art videos.

My Favourite Subject: My favourite subject is art, but we don't get to do it much. I also like reading. I like all kinds of books. We're reading Harry Potter at lunch right now.

My Least Favourite Subject: I don't really like French or math. I already saw the French videos last year so it's boring.

How I Learn Best: I like to work with my friends when we are doing work so we can talk about all of our ideas and so I can hear their ideas. I like to learn by using art, even math. I think I learn everything better when I can draw it. I like to talk to my friends in class but [REDACTED] has our desks at different spots in the room. Probably so we do our work.

What I'm Proud Of: I have my second ice cream scoop for multiplications. My artwork on the gallery wall.

Learner Story: Teacher's Voice



I am so happy to have gotten the chance to experience your friendly and outgoing personality. I understand why you enjoy collaborative work so much as it really gives your personality a chance to shine. While I can't promise we will do more group work as the year goes on, as sometimes we need the focus that individual work brings, I encourage you to embrace those moments and really thrive throughout. You are an especially dedicated artist and I hope to continue to see that same effort go into all of your projects. You really fulfill the expectation of the 4 B's (bold, beautiful, bright and best effort) with your work. I agree with you that reading can be a lot of fun; I saw this enthusiasm when you were working on novel studies earlier in the year. Not only were you engaged with group discussions, your contributions were thoughtful and enthusiastic. The graphic organizers allow you to merge your two favorite thing (art and reading) and I'm excited for the next novel study to see you challenge yourself even further and try some of the other organizers to really push your understanding and comprehension of the book. Your learning seems to be best supported by providing opportunities for group discussion as well as incorporating art into assignments. One of the incentives within the classroom that has been working for you, is being able to work on free art once you complete all assigned work. I understand it can be difficult to focus on lessons such as Math and French and yet I still see you putting effort into these subjects and completing the work. While it would be nice if we could always sit side by side with our friends, sometimes this makes it difficult to focus on the lesson at hand and may result in missing some important instructions. Having these seating arrangements also provides you the opportunity to become closer with your other classmates! I was especially proud when I came into the room the other day and saw that you have your second ice cream scoop in multiplications! This is an achievement to be incredibly proud of, especially when you expressed to me your dislike of math. This accomplishment shows me that you put a lot of effort and energy into practicing skills, even when they're one's you don't particularly enjoy. Your effort and enthusiasm is something to be admired and I hope I get to see you continue to try your best in all subjects as the hard work has clearly paid off.

Ms. Wood