

A person is holding a rectangular piece of clear plastic in front of their face. The plastic is slightly curved, creating a lens effect. The right side of their face, as seen through the plastic, is magnified and appears larger. The left side of their face is compressed and appears smaller. To the right of the main image, there is a grid of six smaller, identical images showing the same person's face through the plastic lens, illustrating the effect from different angles or positions. The person is wearing a blue turtleneck sweater. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

Outer space **face**

By **Eian (Discovery Club)**

I looked through a plastic lens. It bent the light. It made the right side of my face bigger and the left side into smaller pieces. It made me look like an alien.

Night light **fright**

By **Cyrus (Adventure Club)**

I came to Spare Time
looking for a candle.
I needed to see
on Halloween
night so I could
trick-or-treat.
When I got
the best
candle I
scared
people.
BOO!



No waste, no taste

By **Diptangshu (Safe Base)**

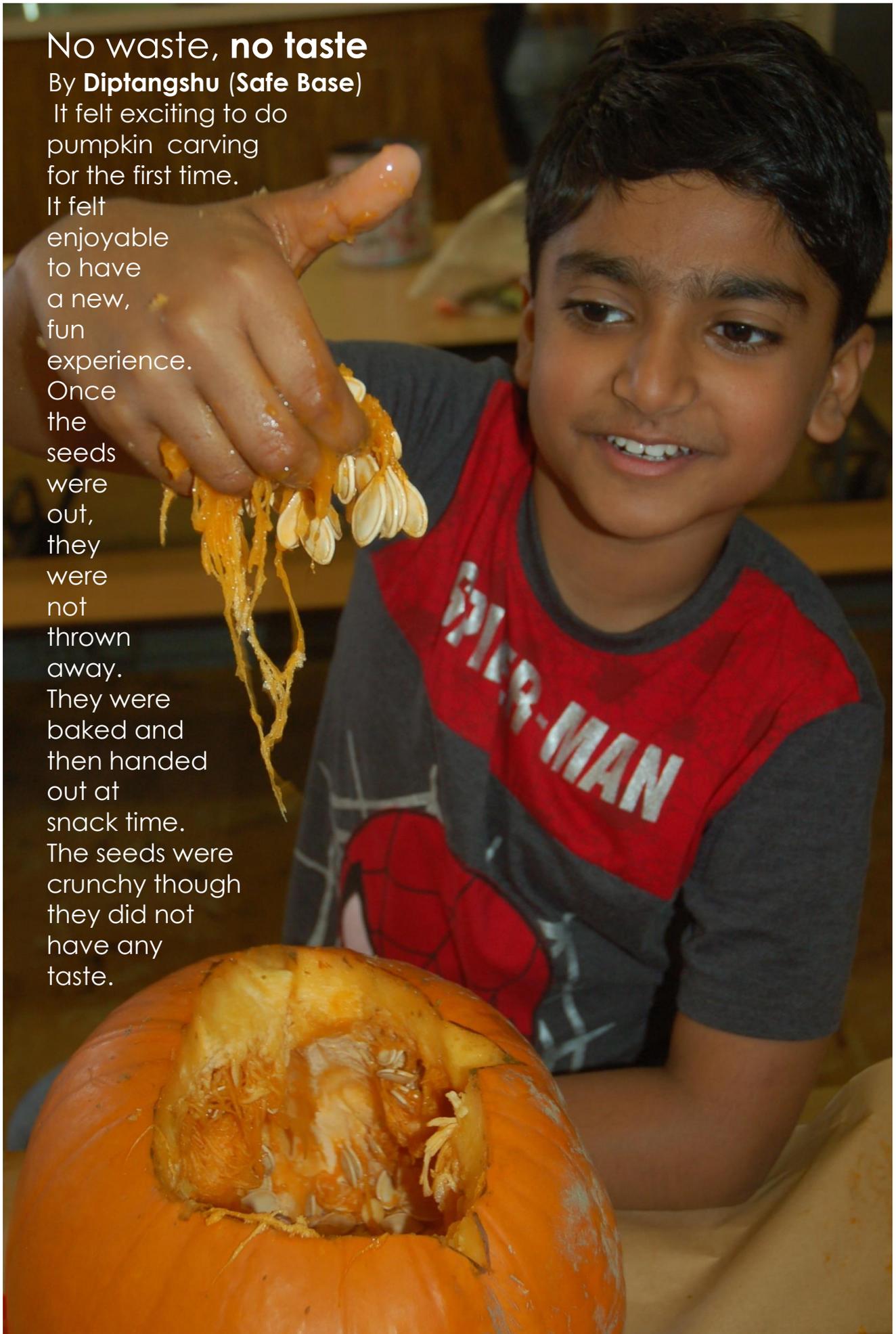
It felt exciting to do pumpkin carving for the first time.

It felt enjoyable to have a new, fun experience.

Once the seeds were out, they were not thrown away.

They were baked and then handed out at snack time.

The seeds were crunchy though they did not have any taste.





Munch at Hot Lunch

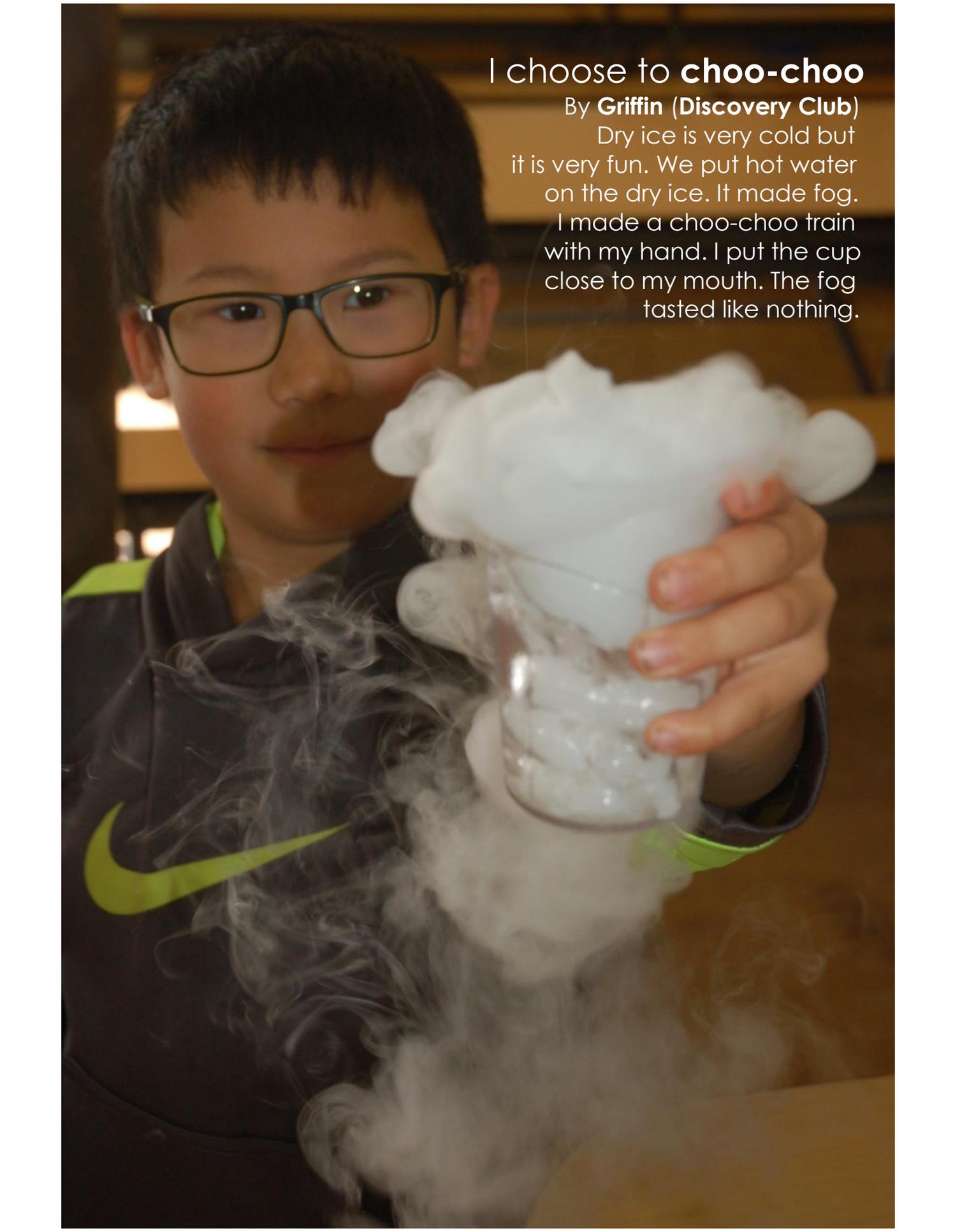
By Phoebe (Adventure Club)

I like to be a Hot Lunch monitor because it makes me feel good serving food to people and making them happy.

It is not hard.

If you do it once or twice you will get used to it.

There are three jobs: serving milk; serving fruits and veggies; monitoring the trays and cups at the return table.

A young boy with dark hair and glasses is holding a clear plastic cup filled with white, chunky dry ice. A thick, white fog is rising from the cup, partially obscuring the boy's face. He is wearing a dark grey hoodie with a bright green Nike swoosh logo on the left chest. The background is a blurred indoor setting with warm lighting.

I choose to **choo-choo**

By **Griffin (Discovery Club)**

Dry ice is very cold but it is very fun. We put hot water on the dry ice. It made fog.

I made a choo-choo train with my hand. I put the cup close to my mouth. The fog tasted like nothing.

Checkmate a chess mate

By Jerry (Adventure Club)

I've played chess for a whole year. The more I play, the harder and better I find this game. There are different strategies to win. It's not

just moving and capturing pieces.

I like to start

in the "Four Knight Opening" because it allows me to attack with two knights and my queen. I can also easily develop emergency positions for my king and other pieces. I might risk and play a gambit – sacrificing a piece to achieve a better move.



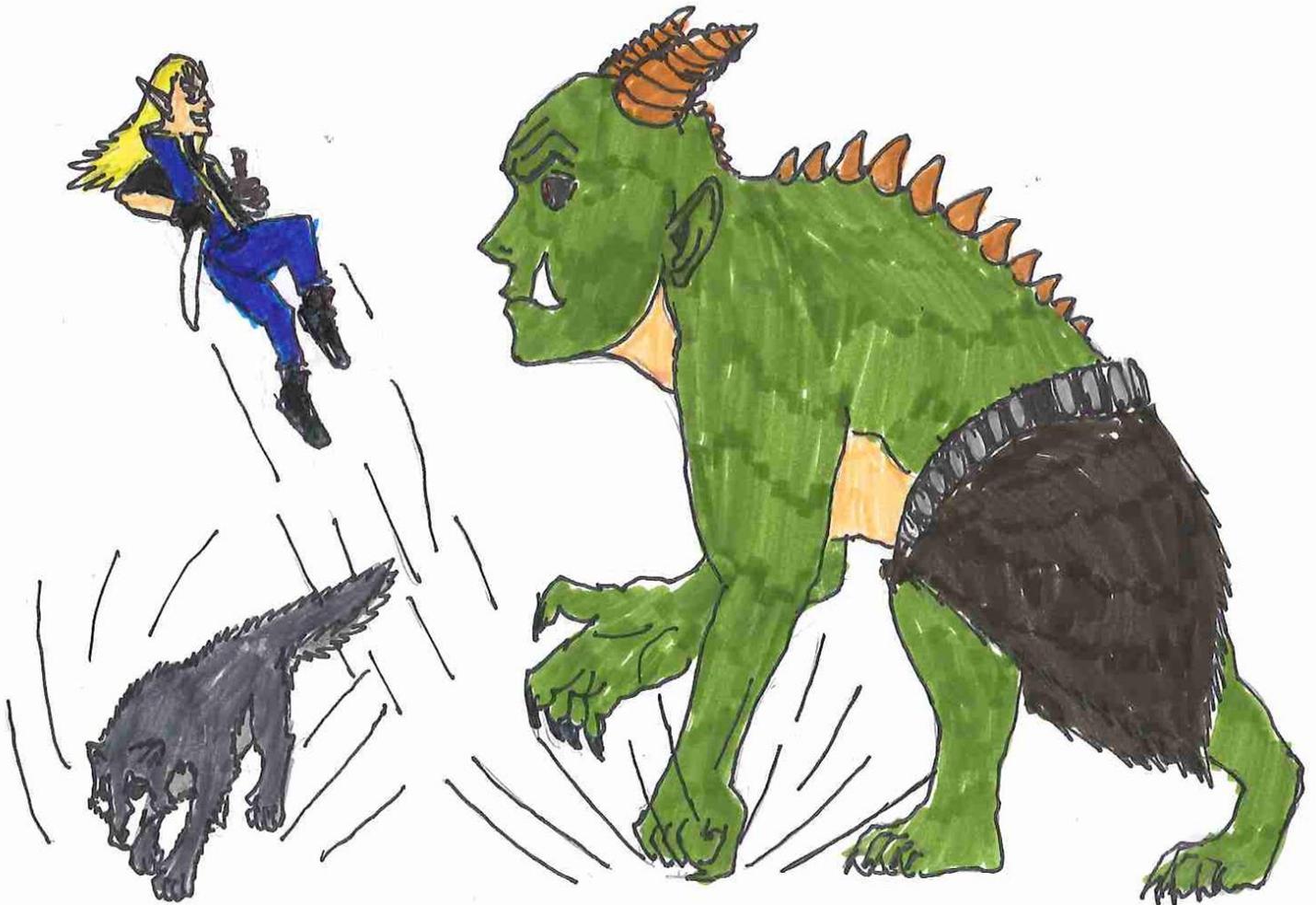
Fan of fantasy plays Pathfinder as an elf with a pet wolf

By **Alaster (Adventure Club)**

My character is a shape-shifting elf when we play Pathfinder. My name is Link. I have an animal companion who levels up with me. He is a wolf. One battle game, we were in the woods near a shallow river. We were battling three trolls. Another character decided to enlarge me and transform me into a giant velociraptor. I attacked one of the trolls. Two trolls were killed and one was regenerated. I stayed as a velociraptor and the wolf followed me. I like playing Pathfinder because I am interested in fantasy.

An elf and a wolf battle a troll

By: Alaster





Peacock parade plus prose thanks to a visiting author

Toronto author and teacher Nadia Hohn was the summer writer-in-residence at Joy Kogawa House. She walked down the street to Spare Time to visit with **Discovery Club** and **Adventure Club** children. She shared five mornings of music, an art project, carnival parade, poetry writing and she read one of her books. She signed copies of her books to Spare Time and DLG School. We donated the books to the school library. The books are: Malaika's Costume, Malaika's Winter Carnival, Harriet Tubman Freedom Fighter and A Likkle Miss Lou. Photos: Jocelyn, David: peacock masks; Dekyi: author's newest book.

By **David (Discovery Club)**

We made peacock masks with Nadia. We made them out of blue paper plates, orange pipe cleaners, yellow paper, pom-poms and other stuff. It was easy and fun. We had a parade to the public library. A girl dresses like a rainbow peacock in Nadia's book Malaika's Costume.

By **Dekyi (Discovery Club)**

A Likkle Miss Lou is an interesting book by Nadia Hohn. It is about Jamaican poet Louise Bennett Coverley who found her voice! As a child, Louise was shy when it came to speaking. She found her voice by writing poems and reciting them to her class. She thought her classmates would hate them but actually they loved her poems. She grew up and became the icon Miss Lou.



No bones about it, **Justin (Preschool)** has dogged determination.



High guy

By **Luiz Henrique** (Discovery Club)

Climbing the spider web is easy. It's training for climbing trees. Climbing trees is fun but dangerous. I like to climb high and see all of the playground.



Jode (Discovery Club) and “twin” practise playground gymnastics.

Walking the dog

A stroll at 8370 Cartier Street in November 2019 revealed:

Discovery Club art is musical. You might wonder is this a group of painters who like to sing or a group of singers who like to paint?

Bench dodge ball is the **Adventure Club** gym game of choice. Follow the balancing ball.

Preschool circle time included a nature book about squirrels. So they had “extra” knowledge and curiosity at the playground which usually features squirrels. Six friends made two “pots” of acorn soup in small puddles and **Harper** knew why squirrels have bushy tails: “They are born that way.”

Explorers Club took turns beating a drum and tapping a xylophone to add some background rhythm to a story being read out loud. Backbeat book?

“Best day ever,” shouted one **Discovery Club** climber in a front field tree. “No, Halloween is,” replied another **Discovery Club** climber from a different branch.

Photo: **Preschool** friends **Hanna** and **Alison** compare unusual finger puppets.

