

## Grandparents Day

*"While I knew Grandma Caryn would give me her impression of Matthew in his new setting after 18 days (all glowing), I never expected Matthew to be able to tell me about Grandma's visit..." – Beth Pilchik, Crossbridge parent*



Biannually, The Manhattan Childrens Center and Crossbridge organize an event known as Grandparents Day. This event provides a half-day for grandparents to learn more about a day in their grandchild's life at MCC, while getting to spend quality time with their grandchildren in the classroom. Our first Grandparents Day took place in 2013, thanks to one of our pioneer grandparents, Alice Marx. Alice advocated for more grandparent activities, which led to the evolution of what is now a robust

grandparents community at MCC!

This past week, we hosted over 25 grandparents for our summer Grandparents Day event. After an educational workshop led by Dr. Amy Lackey, MCC's Director of Education, grandparents spent time in the classrooms. They ended the morning with lunch and a student-friendly art project, broken down into visual stages to work on with their grandchildren. The art projects came out beautifully and did not require major clean-up either!



Our dedicated grandparents have paved the way for targeted fundraising initiatives, such as MCC's Comedy Night, and have provided generous donations and support throughout the years. MCC continues to welcome grandparent trainings and observations.

