

CONGRATULATIONS PRESTON!



**This year's recipient of
the \$500.00
Jasmine Macias
Memorial Scholarship
Award.**



2/22/2023

Dear Mr. Rush & Belinda,

Congratulations! Your son, Preston, is this year's recipient of the Jasmine Macias Memorial Scholarship award.

You may not be aware, but Jasmine was a student at our school from the age of 3 to 8 years of age. When she was 8 years old in 2nd Grade, she was diagnosed with Leukemia and passed away within months of her diagnosis. Jasmine was a wonderful child who stood out amongst her peers with an infectious smile and compassionate spirit. She was wise beyond her years and her short life impacted all of us.

In an effort to preserve her memory and to encourage the amazing qualities found in this little girl, we started this Memorial Scholarship along with her mom, Rosy. Every year the teachers nominate a child who displays the very special qualities we saw in Jasmine; they are qualities that go far beyond citizenship. They are qualities that make a positive difference in the lives they touch. From the time Preston started school at Oneonta, the staff members have commented on his smile, compassion, joyful spirit and positive effect he has had on his peers. It is with great pride that we award Jasmine's Memorial Scholarship to Preston.

As Preston's parents, you too must be commended on your parenting. Keep up the great work! It is because of parents like you, and students like Preston, that our school is such a special place.

Sincerely

Fiona Emersley
Director