The Most Exciting Part of My Day!

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Meet Abby,

Abby is an energetic 2nd grader who attends Orcas Island Elementary and loves writing, playing the violin, coloring, and, most of all, her time at the Funhouse.

Abby was born on Orcas Island and she has been coming to the Funhouse after school every day for almost two years. When asked what she thinks about the Funhouse, Abby exclaims: "Playing at the Funhouse is the most exciting part of my day!"

Abby especially enjoys drawing spider webs and learning arts and crafts in the newly renovated Art Room, having fun outside, and playing in "Jupiter," which is a rocket-shaped room made of steel with stairs leading to an upper level complete with portal windows that kids can peek out of and let their imaginations soar. Abby even enjoyed the recent renovation because kids got to paint the actual walls of the Funhouse as the building was being remodeled. Abby also loves participating in science experiments and hanging out with her friends, many of whom she met at the Funhouse.

Abby's favorite Funhouse memory is when her family used the space to hold a big birthday party with all of her friends and loved ones. It's clear when you talk to Abby, along with so many other kids here on the island, that participating in the Funhouse creates lasting memories. After all, it's not only a safe place for kids to learn and develop important skills and hobbies, they also make new, and potentially life-long friends!