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## West Yarmouth girl gets her 'Nutcracker' wish

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Kyrah Mendes, of West Yarmouth, met 'Nutcracker' Joseph Gatti and 'Sugar Plum Fairy' Adiarlys Almeida on Sunday. (Photo by Cheryl Kevorkian-Keane)

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**Kyrah Mendes** of West Yarmouth, who turns 13 tomorrow, got the chance to meet Boston Ballet dancers from "The Nutcracker" during the intermission of Sunday's performance. The Make-A-Wish Foundation of Massachusetts and Rhode Island set up the meet-and-greet for Mendes, who has a complex congenital heart disease. Mendes's dream has been to be a ballerina; she even performed in a Yarmouth production of the holiday show this season.