

Kindergarten and First Grade Art Class

Dear Parents,

Art provides the opportunity to organize, plan, problem solve, reason, create, and explore. Art fosters the students' perception of both their real and imagined worlds. They will learn to grow in self expression, creativity, discovery, and realization of ideas. The world is filled with art, and no one can avoid dealing with art in some form or other.



In these grades, students first learn the basic skills of art, including:

- the correct use of scissors and cutting.
- coloring in a way that is smooth with complete coverage.
- learning about the primary colors and then secondary colors with tints and shades. (A primary caterpillar is made out of construction paper at this time.)

We move on to projects that give students the opportunity to express themselves creatively. Watercolors are introduced and students get to paint like the masters. For example, the art form of pointillism is explored. Students use a magnifying glass and look closely at a Seurat painting to observe the tiny dots that make up the painting.

Classroom topics are partnered up with art, from learning and drawing shapes, to creating a bird that flies when birds are studied in Science class.

Seasonal projects also add fun throughout the year!

If you have any questions, please contact me at school.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Osborne