

Art Room News

2nd Quarter

Thanks to Cheri Richardson & Carol Myxter (art coordinators), parents and student helpers for all of your help with art displays around the school. We have also enjoyed our visiting artists, working in the classroom for students to see you working on your craft. We do have a potter's wheel if you ever want to share and/or hone your skills. Feel free to offer your art passion with students as they work on their projects. Contact me at jcastro@psdschools.org to set up a time.

Here is what is happening in the 2nd quarter this fall:

Kinders: Texture & totem poles, snowmen (cool & warm colors), Picasso's Le Gourmet, Rivera's Mother's Helper, Homer's Snap the Whip. Holiday ornaments. How artists use character qualities.

1st: Oil Pastel figures in motion - lines can move in drawings, show action, etc. Nutrition Color Wheel. Watercolor blending, Natural & Shapes w/names, Introduction to Religions in artwork, 3D poinsettias, double pencils & triple brushes. Lawrence's Parade, Matisse's works, O'Keefe's Shell, Wood's Stone City, Miro's Man & Dog in the Sun.

2nd: Finish still life oil pastel, Earthen clay ornaments (pinch, coil, wedge, balls & snakes) Abstract images: Brancusi's Bird in Space, Frankenthaler's Blue Atmosphere, Miro's work, Sculpture & 3D form - group project in paper mache (fruits & veggies), patterns.

3rd: Finish up Native American Art, Ancient Roman art & architecture - Pont du Gard, Trajan's Column, Mosaics, Clay drinking vessel holder, Byzantine art & architecture: Hagia Sophia, Icons in art, arm bands.

4th: Finish African multi-media masks: Islamic & Middle Eastern art & architecture: Dome of the Rock, tapestries, Taj Mahal, Manuscripts; colored pencil geometric group design. Gothic/Christian art & architecture: Notre Dame, stained glass windows, mosaics.

5th: Atmospheric/linear perspective drawings and paintings; Northern European Renaissance art: paper mache sculpture; Bosch, Van Eyck, Durer, Bruegel; Japanese Art - pottery, tondos, etc. calligraphic floral painting, bamboo brush work.

Remember: The Arts are about the Heart !