## ART MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

## BCS FAMILIES,

I have some exciting news to share with you all! I am so thrilled to announce that Three Points Elementary will be holding an Art Show at the end of the 2020-2021 school year! Every student will have a piece of artwork displayed to share with friends and family! I will continue to provide more information throughout the school year, but students and families can begin seeing congratulatory letters coming home to share this exciting event. Please continue to pray that we see improvements this year to ensure that we can hold the art show in a fun and safe manner.

Announcing the Three Points Elementary 2020-2021 Art Show!

Ok, now on to more good stuff!

It's Fall y'all, and I <u>love</u> me some fall! After living in Tucson, Arizona for almost a decade I became accustomed to their two seasons: Summer 1 and Summer 2. Sure, I enjoyed the plentiful amounts of sunshine and the killer tan that came along with it but feeling like I lived inside of an oven for nine years began to take its toll. Thus, living in Washington has literally been a breath of fresh air. I welcome the clouds, the windy days, and most of all, the beautiful Fall colors- one of God's many masterpieces. I jump at the opportunity to center student projects around this breathtaking season.

Mrs. Hatate's **kindergarteners** learned about the **primary colors** and they saw firsthand how important these colors are as they **experimented in** 

creating new colors! We referred to ourselves as magicians as we mixed and mixed the colors together. The result of our incredible Creation Enjoyers is a beautiful leaf-themed color wheel!

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Mrs. Brasseur's **first grade** students used their knowledge of **organic shapes** to create some gorgeous, **antique pumpkins!** These Beauty Creators learned about the **hot and cool colors** and how they can apply these colors to give their artwork **value and form**. They finalized their artworks by **antiquing with baby oil**, which is always a fun process to watch. This project created lovely results!

Flying into Mrs. Peterson's class, her Second graders investigated order in God's creation, particularly in animals. As a class we discussed the amazing repeating patterns that can be found within so many different animals. For this project, students ditched their pencils and went straight to markers to create a continuous line drawing of an owl. It was a big challenge to not lift their markers until the drawing was completed, but the students did remarkably well! Students are now carefully

planning out and adding colored patterns within their owls. They are wildly awesome!

Georgia O'Keeffe is one of my all-time favorite artists! Her experimentation in line, color, shape, and perspective has always caught my eye so I was excited to introduce her to Mrs. Rogers's third grade class! We discussed O'Keeffe's unique art style and took her work as inspiration to be Image Reflectors in creating Georgia O'Keeffe inspired leaves. The students used chalk pastels to blend and mix the hot and cool colors together, resulting in some eye-catching artworks!

Fourth grade students also observed and discussed order in God's creations. We talked about pattern and texture within God's creatures like, porcupines, rabbits, and frogs, oh my! We ended our texture conversation on reptiles and how we could mimic these textures to create a textured dragon's eye! Not Fall related, however, so much fun!

My excitement to begin working on metal was too much to bear, so **fifth grade** students jumped right into their **metalwork koi fish**. We discussed the **Japanese and Chinese symbolism of the koi fish** to give us inspiration during the coloring process. While we are still amid the project, I was elated to hear the excitement and positive reactions to working with such a cool material. I am not alone in my love of metal! I cannot wait to show off these Creation Enjoyers' pieces!



Last and certainly not least, **sixth graders** transitioned gracefully from working abstractly into **realistic drawing**. Students discovered the wonders of the **grid method to create realistic animal drawings**. The task may have seemed a bit daunting, but these Order Discoverers are doing a remarkable job! Students will soon finalize their pieces with the use of **watercolor pencils**.

I would like to conclude this month's newsletter with a few donation requests. Moving into the coming months students will begin working in mixed media. If families are willing and able, the art room is looking for yarn and fabric donations. Anything that you can give is much appreciated!

I am so thankful for another month of fun and safe art making with your incredible children! I cannot wait to see what other wonderful creations they make.

Happy Fall!
-Mrs. Cass

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