

Hello Parents,

We are off to another artful year at GCS! The students have been busily working on various projects, learning about Georgia O'Keeffe, and getting used to our new/old classroom. Our first session of After School Art is starting and we will be starting seasonal projects before you know it.

We want to make sure you are all aware of the opportunity you have with our online art museum, Artsonia. Artsonia allows you and other family members, as well as others, to view your child's artwork online. You are able to compliment the artwork and even order items with your child's artwork image on them. These items make fabulous unique gifts! The other benefit of ordering is that Artsonia gives 20% back to the school's art department. This helps us quite a bit! We will try to upload all of the projects we do throughout the year onto Artsonia. If you are interested in helping with this, please let us know.

Parents often wonder about helping the art department by donating recyclable items. Here are a few things that we could ALWAYS use:

- styrofoam meat/cheese trays (well washed)
- plastic egg cartons (yes, the expensive kind)
- newspapers
- old colorful socks (mismatched is fine)

Right now we could also use wood scraps, particularly blocks that could be used as sculpture bases.

We love being able to work with your children in creating art.

Blessings,
Mrs. Mancini and Mrs. VanDyke