



Encore Info

October 2011



From the Art Room

Mrs. Dean shared that in art, students made pinwheels the week of September 19th to celebrate the International Day of Peace that fell on Wed. September 21st.

Moving forward, grade levels will be continuing to focus on the following concepts through early October:

- 5- positive and negative space
- 4 - rotational symmetry, pattern and balance
- 3- the 5 patterns of nature and Andy Warhol
- 2- landscape and cityscape
- 1- Wassily Kandinsky and his artwork "Squares with Concentric Rings"
- K- shape, color and line (and scissor practice!)



From the Music Room

Ms. Bolyard shares that a lot has been happening in the music room. In October classes will be doing the following:

- Kindergarten** will continue to learn new songs while being introduced to classroom instruments.
- 1st grade** will be experiencing different styles of music with movement and creative writing.
- 2nd grade** will continue to explore folk music and dance.
- 3rd grade** is busily preparing for the Annual 3rd Grade Music Program to be held on 11/17. (more information to follow later) The theme this year is Patriotism.
- 4th and 5th grades** are learning and creating different forms in music using classroom instruments with different musical styles.

From the Gym

Mr. Shives and Mr. Graybill want to remind everyone that the Cross Country run for grades 3-5 will be after school on Wed. October 5th. Rain date is the 6th. 3rd grade race starts at 3:40.

If you don't already know there is a program available on Monday and Friday morning to help you get your body in shape. It takes place from 8:10-8:30. Look for information

In Oct. classes will be playing Frisbee golf and volleyball. We will also be starting floor hockey. We will continue learning the skeletal system as well as all the muscles.

From the Library

Mrs. Mentzer has enjoyed starting the year with kindergarten learning about the library and enjoying a variety of book. Grades 1 & 2 have learned to pick a "Just Right Book" and how the library is organized. Grades 3-5 have been enjoying using laptops to learn 21st century information skills. We are using Gagle to communicate via email. We look forward to learning a lot more of these skills.

Help your child remember to return their library book on time. This is important to their grade and team.

We are also very excited to be preparing for the Fall Bester Book Fair. It will be Oct. 7-10. Look for a flier to come home with more information including a new online book fair option for those who are not come it to the school during the actual fair.

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BOOK FAIR!
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