



Special Area Newsletter

Art

March “comes in like a lion” in the Art room this month and we can’t wait to see what the students create! Using lions for our inspiration, we’ll create artwork inspired by the colors and animals of Africa. Students will continue to practice their drawing, cutting and gluing skills with several mixed media lion and giraffe projects.

The first graders will also learn about “warm colors” and “cool colors” when we finish our every popular African Sunrise Landscapes. We will use bits and pieces from Disney’s The Lion King to discuss setting, plot and characters when we compare villains and heroes. And finally, we’ll learn a little bit about different types of puppetry as we learn about the artist and designer, Julie Taymor, when we discuss and watch bits and pieces of The Lion King on Broadway. The students really enjoy this time of year in the Art room, and so do we!

Thank you, Mrs. Broaderick and Mrs. Sanchez

Physical Education

The first week of March we will be in our last week of our Kicking and Trapping Unit. This unit focused on the development of foot-striking skills such as dribbling, passing and kicking a ball. These foundational skills will give the students the appropriate first steps towards participating in sports such as soccer, football, and kickball.

Following our Kicking and Trapping unit is our Dance Unit. During our dance unit our students will learn traditional dances such as the Hockey Pokey and The Chicken Dance, cultural dances such as the Mexican Hat Dance and the Chinese Ribbon Dance, and line dances such as the Electric Slide and Macarena. Let’s not forget Spring Break takes place in March as well . So as you can see March is going to be a very busy month!!

Sincerely, Coach Hicks, Coach Carmichael and Coach Connor

Music

The month of March brings the beginning of preparation for Arts in the Park held in the month of May. All Kindergarten and 1st grade classes will begin to learn their songs for the last concert of the year. More information will be coming home after Spring Break.

1st grade is currently working on Form. Form is how the composer organizes the music .We are exploring how form works with instruments and song.

Kindergarten is working on dynamics- how loud or soft a song is played or sung. All classes are exploring dynamics through various song and games.

Kindergarten Honor Choir begins March 13th.

1st grade Honor Choir begin March 15th

Ms. Fraser & Mr. Lehnowsky



Spanish

The month of March is a busy time as we finish the third quarter and begin our last. In Kindergarten we are working on our school unit. We are just finishing learning the names of places in our school, and soon we will begin learning school supplies. The question we have been practicing is, “¿Dónde está...? (Where is...?) Be sure and ask your child to tell you what they have learned about the island of the Dominican Republic.

In first grade we are learning about Argentina and ways we travel. Coming up we will be learning about the weather and seasons. First graders are also busy practicing for a presentation they will do in April where they will introduce themselves, tell how old they are and what they like to eat and drink. Please encourage them to practice it for you. You can find the requirements on my website.

It is a joy to be teaching your children. If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions please don’t hesitate to get in touch with us.

Nos vemos,

♥ Señora Barker & Señora Melendez

**The more that you read,
the more things you will know.
The more that you learn,
the more places you’ll go.**

-Dr. Seuss