

Visual Arts Lessons, K-5

Greetings Ward Families!

I hope you all are well. Looking forward to seeing you. Enclosed please find a couple of art lessons for each grade level. Feel free to explore and imagine as well as cross over into other grade levels if it peaks your interest. Encourage your whole family to get involved.

Did you know our district assigns Irish history and women's history to the month of March?

Keep this in mind as you explore the following art activities:

K's Lesson One- "Put a Rainbow on it!" (Beyoncé song "Put a Ring on it" nod). Children draw an item, person or animal and color it with rainbow  colors. The Irish have long been associated with rainbows. Perhaps the amazing rainbows photographed in the Emerald Isles is one inspiration or the folklore of what is found at the end of the rainbow. Most people view rainbows as lucky and positive. Have you ever had a rainbow on you or your wall?

Lesson Two- Mary Cassatt was a great American female artist who especially loved to draw children playing. Can you draw me a picture of you playing with some of your favorite people. What are you doing? What do you look like? Is there other things in the picture? Are you inside or out? Parents can you help them write their story about playing?

1st Lesson One- Mary Cassatt also liked to show the love between a child and their parent (see also above). Can you draw me a picture that shows this love between them. What are some ways we can tell and see that people like each other (hugging kisses positive comments teaching being kind holding hands). Can you name more acts of love?

Lesson Two- Draw your favorite toy or stuffed animal doing your favorite activity (stuffed bear riding a bike)

2nd Lesson One- "I Spy with my Little Eye" something that begins with

L-U-C-K (for example L is for lollipop) find items in your home that match the four letters Draw the image for each letter

Lesson Two- Paper sculpture get three pieces of paper. Use one for the base. Use the other two pieces to create a paper sculpture but think about how many ways we can change paper. We can rip it cut it mark it glue it tape it crush it. What else can we do? Use at least 3 different ways to change your paper, if not more, in your sculpture.

3rd. Lesson One- During PLC we read about **Claude Monet** an Impressionist Artist who liked to paint the same picture at different times of the day. Look out your window and draw what's out there in the morning at noon and in the evening does the image change does the Color change does the light change?

Lesson Two- If you could find anything you wished for at the bottom of the rainbow , what would it be and why? Draw it and write a story about your adventures in finding the end of the rainbow. The Wizard of Oz encouraged us to dream about what was over the rainbow. We use rainbows a lot in movies and literature

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4th Lesson One- Georgia Okeeffe was a famous American female artist who also had Irish roots she is known for drawing and painting giant shells 🐚, Skulls and flowers 🌸 Find a small item in your house and enlarge it. Make it huge!

Lesson Two -draw your favorite sporting event but make the teams out of animals you should know this is called personification how would you have to change the uniforms? Would you be funny for instance have turtles run a relay race or hippos do gymnastics ETC

5th lesson one- did you know the Irish are famous for riddles limericks and poetry? We see the colors of the rainbow in the exact order we do because white light is split through a prism what is the biggest natural weather prism that creates a rainbow?

____+____= 🌈 rainbow

An ACRONYM is the first letter of each word in a phrase. For instance, LOL= laugh out loud. What does R-O-Y-G-B-I-V stand for? Hint-colors, rainbow. I will start. "I " stands for indigo. You need to know this acronym for both science and art classes. What words stand for each of those letters?

Lesson Two-A portrait is a picture of someone else. Vincent van Gogh used his family and friends a lot to practice drawing portraits can you draw someone from your family. can you give them emotions like happy sad angry sleepy etc What colors and/ or lines would you use? Do you recall Van Gogh from the second grade if you had me? What else do you know about this artist?

I hope you find an activity that you will enjoy creating and/ or answering questions about. Please bring your masterpieces to school if you would like to share. It is not mandatory 😊 just offered to keep your creative juices flowing!

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