January 2016

IMPORTANT NOTE: Many students have lost or used up their markers and/or crayons. We still have 2 more quarters to go and they need to have the proper supplies. PLEASE ask them what they need and replenish those for them. :o)

Happy New Year! Here's what the students worked on in January:

5th Grade: They learned about American artist, Georgia O'Keeffe, by listening to a story about her and viewing some of her artwork. They began drawing very large flowers in her style on watercolor paper. They learned about using wet-on-wet watercolor technique and reviewed holding a brush and using watercolors. So far, most are still working on the petals.

4th Grade: They finished up their marker figures and background designs. They learned about 3 different color schemes, monochromatic, complementary, and analogous colors. They chose one to use and selected 4 squares in that color scheme. They drew a figure on each. The positive cut-out was then glued on the marker-designed background and the negative space was glue onto a larger black square.

3rd Grade: After they practiced changing values GRADUALLY from dark to light, they learned how to draw 4 different objects – water pipes, paper rolls, crayons, and arrows. They chose one for their final design. They traced over the pencil lines with marker and began coloring in their design with gradual shading to make the objects appear to be 3-D.

2nd Grade: After painting their landscapes with watercolors, they traced over the pencil lines with black marker.

1st Grade: They painted an ocean background for their "Only One You" fish. Then they used patterned rubber brayers to make a wave and bubble design. Then glued their fish on. They also started drawing a Turtle Color Wheel and traced it with black oil pastel. They started painting in the sections of the shell with tempera cake paints in the order of the color wheel.

Kindergarten: They first used sponges on sticks to make a snowman and snowflakes. They drew in the face and a striped scarf with oil pastels.

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