

March

From the Palette of Mrs. Deschamps

All classes have completed the PTO's fundraiser project. The students were working on self-portraits which can be transferred to magnets, mugs, Tees, etc. We're back to finishing up the three-dimensional creations (wild things, penguins, landforms, birthday moons, southwest pottery, and masks).

News from the Art Scene

Did you know that March is Youth Art Month? The goal of Youth Art Month is to emphasize the value of art education for all children and to encourage support for quality school art programs. As former President William Clinton said, "Through study and appreciation of the arts, we gain a deeper understanding of ourselves and of society. For children, the arts are an invitation to cultivate the skill of critical thinking and to recognize the bonds that link the diverse cultures of the world. American arts education enlivens our schools, opening children's minds and awakening their senses to the human experience."

April

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For the month of April, we'll be working with the element of space. The students will create landscapes, seascapes, spacescapes, and cityscapes. We'll use atmospheric perspective in chalk, paint, crayon, pastels, and collage.

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Are you looking for a day trip for April vacation? Why not take the train into Boston and visit either the Museum of Fine Arts or the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum. Both are on (or walking distance from) the MTA's Green Line and offer a spectacular collection of works from famous artists, some of whom the students have learned about in art class. Both museums have cafes, gift shops and the Museum of Fine Arts has activities for elementary aged children. Check out their websites for more information.