Art

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you have all had a wonderful summer. I am very excited about the many exciting activities I have planned this year for the art program and I wanted to thank you for all of your support as well as the supplies I have been receiving. The wax paper, erasers, sharpie markers, pencils and paper towels are all being put to use. If you are interested in contributing but haven't had the chance yet, please feel free to leave anything in my room (Rm 109).

 I also wanted to share with you a bit about what your child will learn with me this year.

The art program is designed to teach students creativity and introduce as well as continue to expose the children to a variety of art materials corresponding to the New York City Art Standards. Each grade has its own curriculum and challenging art projects that often relate to what they are learning with their classroom teacher. The children will be exposed to many different art mediums and art techniques including: painting, drawing, sculpture, collage and printmaking. The children will also be interpreting famous works of art, discussing and critiquing the techniques used and creating their own artwork using this knowledge. Grading is based solely on effort- not talent. It is more important to me that the children feel safe to experiment and try than to feel they must make art that is 'successful' each time. It is this freedom that creates thoughtful and talented artists.

Home work is rarely given, but when it is I expect it to be completed on time.

The PTSA is a huge help to me every year. There may be a few times this year when extra hands would be appreciated. If you are interested in helping, please let me know. Thank you in advance for any extra time and help you may assist me with this year. If you would like to speak with me, please feel free to call the school and I will return your call as soon as possible. We can also make an appointment to meet on Tuesday afternoons between 2:40 and 3:20pm.

Sincerely,

Eden Stevenson, Art Teacher