

Pearl Rhodes Elementary Weekly News January 25, 2018



Art News

Clay is a favorite medium for all children. Students used the slab technique to make ornaments and textured clay tiles. Third and fourth graders printed their own tee shirts with leaves and textile paint. Fifth-sixth graders had fun making slime from scratch. Grades three to six learned how to make a square shape look three dimensional.

Younger grades are starting a unit about the **Art Elements**, or the building blocks of all art. These include: line, color, shape, form, value, space, and texture. The artist combines these in different ways to create a unique piece of art. Students made a line painting, exploring different kinds of lines. They will learn about color as they add paint. Ask your child what horizontal, vertical, and diagonal mean, and what the primary colors are.

Older grades are starting a unit on the **Principles of Design**. These include: balance, emphasis, repetition, rhythm, variety, and unity. They thought about how they would organize the space for their quilling project. Ask your child about these words; composition, symmetry, radial symmetry, radiating design, and positive and negative space.

It is my pleasure to teach art to your children!

Big Y Education Express is back!

Friends, neighbors and family members can enroll in the program by linking their Big Y Silver Savings Club card to our school. The school earns points through the items you purchase and redeems them for supplies & equipment.

From February 1 through April 25, 2018, every 500 Education Express Points you earn, you will receive a Big Y Gold Coin!

You can support our school by signing up now for the Big Y Education Express program @ www.bigy.com

Upcoming Events

January 25

School Committee, PVRS

January 26

Grades 3 – 6, Field Trip to Hawley/AmeriCorps

February 19 - 23

Winter Recess



SCA Outdoor Exploration Club

January 25

February 1, 8 & 15

3:00 – 4:00 @ PRES

School Council members STILL needed

PRES is still looking for 2 to 3 people to join our School Council. Parents and community members are welcome and encouraged to help the principal and teachers to improve their school by joining and participating on the School Council. Please contact Bob Clancy at PRES if you have interest or would like more information.

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