

Welcome to the **ART** Room



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We began the school year with *The Dot*, a story about a little girl who felt nervous in art class because she thought she couldn't draw. Inspired by her story, each student created and decorated their own dot to show that everyone can be successful in art. Now, we're moving on to **line** and **shape**—two important elements of art that artists use. The art room is buzzing with creativity as students cut, glue, and paint their way through these new explorations!

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Who are illustrators? They are artists who create the drawings and images we see in books. This week, we studied the work of **Christian Robinson**, a beloved children's book illustrator. Inspired by his style, students used **lines** and **shapes** to create their own self-portraits. The results are absolutely adorable! Be sure to look for these self-portraits displayed in the halls during Curriculum Night.

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Value is an element of art that refers to the lightness or darkness of colors or tones used in an artwork. Artists use value to create depth and make objects look three-dimensional by adding highlights and shadows. Students practiced this concept by mixing paint to create a value scale. For their final project, they painted a colored pencil that appeared **three-dimensional on two-dimensional paper**.



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Smile! Students created stunning self-portraits, using their own photos as a reference. With watercolors, they painted bold, colorful backgrounds to complete the project—and the results truly look remarkable! Now, we're exploring how to express ideas through a combination of **words and pictures**. Students are experimenting with a variety of multimedia materials to bring their creative visions to life.



Please check with your child's classroom teacher to find out which day they have Art for specialist. Art can get messy—and while our materials are washable, they're not always stain-free. Please save favorite outfits for another day.

Warmly,
Mrs. Miri

