

Adel Elementary Art News

Miss Cramer

2nd Grade Shoe Studies

Second Graders started off the year by studying their shoes! We talked about how artists are observant and carefully observed the lines in and around our shoes. We also read "Oh the Places You'll Go!" by Dr. Seuss and wrote a story about all of the places our shoes might go!



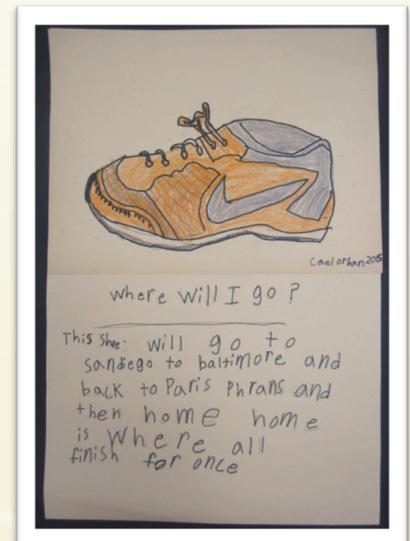
Butterfly by Devin from Miss Tilley's Class

Symmetrical Butterflies

Second Grade finished up the quarter with these beautiful butterfly paintings. We learned all about the characteristics of a butterfly's wing and then created these butterflies by using two techniques: painting and printmaking! Because we printed these butterflies, each one is symmetrical. After our butterflies were dry, we added color using chalk pastel!

A little bit about me!

My name is Morgan Cramer and I am so excited to be teaching art at ADM! I teach at Adel Elementary and DeSoto Intermediate and have absolutely loved teaching art to our Pre-Kindergarten through 5th Grade students. I am from the Des Moines area and completed my BFA in Studio Arts at Iowa State and my teaching certification through the University of Iowa. I am looking forward to getting to know you!



Shoe Study by Cael from Ms. Morris' Class



*Garden Drawing by Alexa
from Mrs. Paul's Class*



*Saber Tooth Tiger by Byron from Miss
Meyer's Class*

Mixed Media Fall Reflections

Our latest project in First Grade is a Mixed Media Fall Reflection Scene. After learning how to draw trees, we created realistic looking trees with crayon and then painted the sky and water using watercolor. We then talked about the *Impressionists* and how they captured water in their paintings and then used similar techniques to show water in our artwork. Finally, we used *mono printing* to create the leaves reflecting into the water.

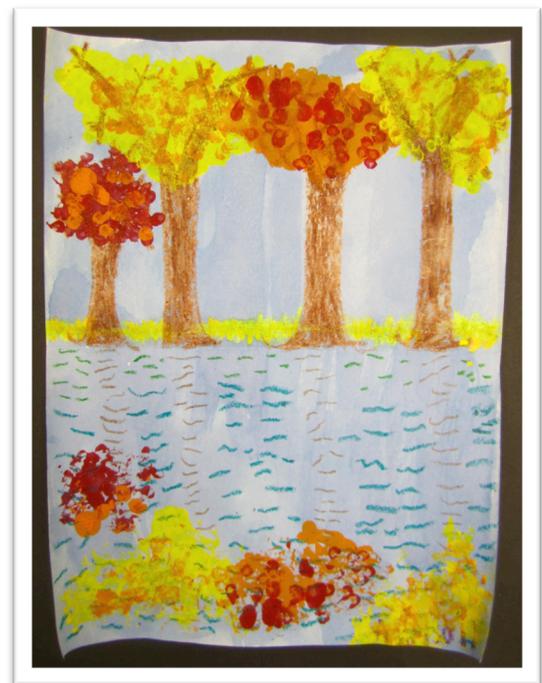
1st Grade

Perspective Gardens

Our first art projects in First Grade were these Perspective Garden Scenes! We looked at Grant Wood's paintings and talked about how he used *perspective* to make some things look far away. We even learned how to create a Horizon Line and use a Vanishing Point!

Cave Art

We also created Cave Art this Quarter. We learned about Cave Art that was found in the Lascaux Caves and then had lots of fun pretending to be cave boys and girls by starting a pretend fire and drawing an animal on our cave "walls." We signed our artist's signatures with a simple handprint!



*Fall Reflection by Addyson from Mrs.
Herrick's Class*

Kindergarten

Lines and Color

Kindergarten has been learning all about lines lately! We learned about straight, wavy, loopy, zigzag, and coiled lines. We even learned about vertical, diagonal, and horizontal lines! After we painted many different lines on our papers, we filled in the spaces between the lines with the colors of the rainbow. We talked about how the colors of the rainbow go in a certain order and how we can remember with them Roy G Biv!

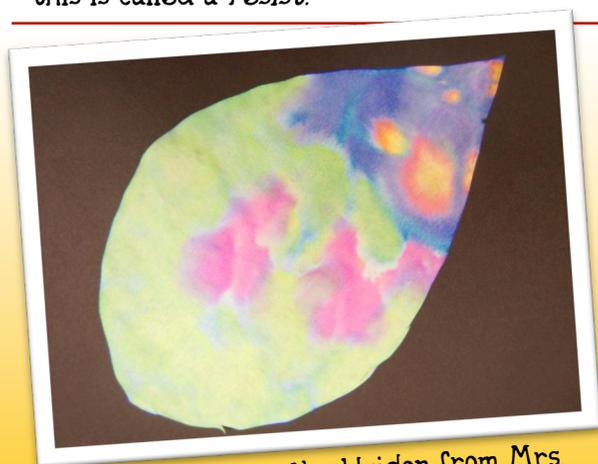
Rainbow
by
Maddox
from
Mrs.
Kirkman-
Sloan's
Class



Fish Bowl Art

For this project, Kindergarten thought about all the places that fish might live and then put their own fish in a fish bowl! We learned about all the different parts that a fish has and about all of the different colors and patterns that a fish might have on its body. We colored our fish with crayons and then painted over them with watercolor paint. Because the wax of the crayons and the watercolor move away from each other, this is called a *resist*!

Fish Bowl by
Peyton from
Mrs. Rife's
Class



Cool Colored Leaf by Haidon from Mrs.
Gaffney's Class

Pre-Kindergarten

Pre-Kindergarten got into the fall season by making these beautiful leaves. We learned about cool colors (blue, green, and purple) and warm colors (red, orange, and yellow) and then painted a warm leaf and a cool leaf to celebrate the leaves changing color.