

## **GRADE 2 ART**

The purpose of the Art program is to build on the skill and knowledge established in the previous year, reflecting content from other classroom subjects and introducing artwork that is well known in our culture. Through the process of art, students reinforce their creative thinking and problem solving techniques.

### **Elements of Art**

Students will:

- discover and create artwork about line and its many forms, incorporating terms from other subjects such as horizontal, vertical, diagonal.
- explore shapes and their infinite form, at the same time learning about collage.
- discuss the concept of composition and its application to their own artwork.
- understand idea of spatial relationships applying structure from a famous work of art to their own artwork.
- analyze variations in light and dark and create work reflecting their understanding of value.
- explore color theory, create secondary colors from primary colors apply colors to an object, and show understanding of warm and cool colors.

### **Art in Culture and Nature**

Students will:

- create work reflective of art around the world including South America, India, Africa and China.
- use literary work from other cultures to inspire art .
- understand concepts from geography, using art to describe one type of terrain.

### **Art and History**

Students will:

- learn visual aspects of ancient Greece as they apply to architecture and sculpture.
- learn about and apply art descriptive of America's westward expansion: pioneer and native American art.
- become familiar with the artwork of Durer, Klee, Chagall, Van Gogh, Rousseau and Picasso by applying concepts from their work to student's own artwork.

## **Art Experiences**

Students will:

- explore concepts of Op Art – creating optical illusions.
- discuss and understand the idea of abstract art vs. realism and create abstract object.
- create artwork reflective of the Christmas holiday season and Marian artwork during the month of May.

## **Materials**

- Art posters
- Library Books
- Art Reference Materials in Art Room
- Slides
- Art Media: pencils, paints, oil pastels, clay, soft pastels, paper, and related materials

## **Instruction**

Teacher will provide lecture and demonstration of art project, ensuring that students understand the assignment. As time allows, students will be encouraged at the end of class to present their work, using the vocabulary and concepts introduced at the beginning of class.

