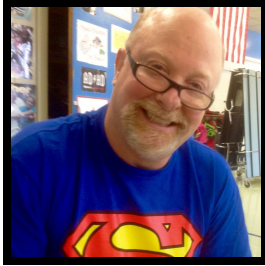


UMS Unified Arts Newsletter

Please be sure to visit UMS Unified Arts Blogs for current activities information

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Important Dates:

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UMS Field Day Airport Park

May 1-7, 2017

National Physical Education and
Sport Week

About My GYM - stands for :

Get Yourself Moving!

Students at UMS have PE twice a week. Activities in PE at UMS are designed to reinforce classroom content concepts. The kinesthetic learning approach is used to explore and tap into multiple intelligence strengths. When we consciously integrate kinesthetic learning with classroom curriculum the benefits of each are magnified and remarkably wide ranging. Interpreting a concept through physical means helps children to grasp, internalize, and maintain information and knowledge. Movement is like fertilizer for the brain!

LEARN TO MOVE, MOVE TO LEARN!

SNEAKERS! Have your child be successful and safe, help them remember their sneakers on days they have PE. We have a sneaker box in the gym if kids forget. Please consider donating any outgrown sneakers, still usable for this box. Thanks.

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Important Dates:

October 17-20

Fall Book Fair *volunteers needed!

March 27-31

Spring Book Fair *volunteers needed!

Early to Mid - April

Red Clover Award voting takes place

April 9-15

National Library Week

May 1-7, 2017

Children's Book Week

About My Classroom: I see every student every week at their assigned library time for a lesson, as well as for exchanging their books. I also see students one-on-one for book swaps and requests for research help. In addition to caring for and updating the collection, I visit the second grade classes an extra time a week to co-teach research strategies using topics the students are working on in their classrooms. In addition, I support building literacy whenever possible, and try to schedule an annual author visit. We coordinate with the Burnham library and host their visit here each year.

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Important Dates:

May 9th - May 12th

Colchester District Art Show

May 11th, 2017

District Art Show Reception

Material Requests: I'm always looking for donations of:

-wire

-newspapers

-shoebboxes

-old shoes

-fabric, yarn, string, etc.

About My Classroom: Students at UMS have art once per week for 40 minutes. I try my best to introduce my students to as many different media and techniques as possible. In art class, your child will explore using a variety of materials such as charcoal, permanent markers, tempera paints, watercolors, paper mache, clay, stamps, glue, wood and found objects. As a result, kids sometimes get messy! Please check out my blog to see what day of the week your child has art class so that you can remind them to dress accordingly.

Sending Artwork Home: Artwork will be sent home 2-3 times per year in large portfolios. I will make sure all artwork gets home with your student by the end of the year.

-clean cardboard (cereal/snack boxes)
-wooden pieces (wood scraps, wine corks)
-thread spools, buttons, bottle caps
-metal pieces (keys, hinges, nails, screws)
-old jewelry (dismantled necklaces, beads, pendants, chains)

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Important Dates:

December 21

Whole School Sing-Along***

February 7th & 8th

Whole School Musical Performances
at Colchester High School

About My Classroom: All K-2 students come to music class once a week for 40 minutes. In each class we may sing, dance, play, listen to, and create music. At this age level, mostly rhythm percussion instruments are used, including wood, metal, rattle and membrane (drums). We do one performing activity each school year. Our three-year cycle runs like this: Year 1 - whole school musical; Year 2 - whole school musical; Year 3 - artist in residency. Besides public performances, students also gather for school-wide meetings and occasionally we sing our school song: "Glad To Be Here".

***(This is an assembly for students only during the school day. We will attempt to have a Live Feed so that parents and community may watch from afar.)

