



News from the Art Studio

Nuckols Farm Elementary - Back to School 2015



Ahoy and welcome (back) to another exciting year in the NFES art studio! I hope that everyone had a wonderful and colorful summer.

Showing leadership in the art studio...

Experimenting, visualizing, composing, interpreting, solving, applying, risk taking, collaborating, and communicating are just some of the things that we are always doing and learning in the art studio!

Art Studio online @ <http://nfesartstudiohampton.weebly.com/index.html>

I am pleased to be able to share what's happening in the art studio through our NFES Art Studio website and blog. You will find current art studio **news**, an art **gallery** for each grade highlighting impressive examples from our lessons, interactive **blog** entries (please join me in the conversations!), fun art websites and local art opportunities. Please subscribe to the RSS feed so that you will be in the "Art Know." *The site can also be found through the school's website faculty list or scanned above.*

Students will receive a note from me when they have artwork displayed online. Usually artwork displayed in the hallway can also be found in the online gallery!

Square 1 Art at NFES

Nuckols Farm students will again be participating in a wonderful program that reproduces their art into a FREE sticker set. You then have the **OPTION** of ordering more custom products featuring your child's art. Funds raised will help purchase art resources and additional equipment. *Thank you to all who participated last year! We are working towards a large, electric kiln and clay cart.*

Please be on the look out for your child's free sticker pack/order package that will arrive in October. Placed orders will be delivered in November - just in time for holiday gifts! The products, including iPhone cases, iPad covers, t-shirts, stickers, journals, note cards, key chains, ceramic tiles, tote bags, ornaments, pendant necklaces and aprons, make cherished gifts. *During the months of September and October there will be samples in the art studio's display window. Check them out at Back to School night!*

Sometimes we can get a bit messy...

(reading this just might save you money!)

Though we try to keep clean, creating can sometimes be a messy task - accidents such as paint spills will happen. I would like to ask that each student have their own smock that will be kept in their classroom. A large button down shirt works very well. An extra step is to cut off the neck/collar so that your student can simply pull it over their head without buttoning and unbuttoning. Cutting the sleeves to a proper length for your student is especially helpful as well. *Please do not send plastic smocks (especially the ones that tie at the sides and do not cover sleeves).* Art day may not be a good day to wear that new outfit or treasured shirt! Please make sure your student has **his/her own art smock no later than Friday, September 25th** – we are going to get busy quick!

Making art not suds...

Our art studio will be busy and we want to spend most of class creating our masterpieces. A classroom full of students at the sink takes precious time and is quite a sight! I would really appreciate **BABY WIPES** for messy hands. Please write “ART” on the container and send them with your child to school.

Your trash is our treasure...

At times, we would love to recycle some of your “treasures.” Currently, we are interested **32 oz** (clean) plastic containers (i.e. from yogurt, sour cream). We are also looking for long, heavy weight cardboard tubes (ie. gift wrap, carpet, fabric, etc.).

Volunteer? Guest Artist?

Would you like to help the NFES Art Studio? Do you have a special talent that you would like to share with students in the art studio? Please visit the Art Studio website, click on the “Art Studio News” link on the left to find the online form.

Thank you for your support of the arts.

I look forward to a great year with your artists!

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