



OMPH School Scene

Exploring the World of Art!



My name is Patricia Jacobs. This is my 7th year teaching at OMPH. I presently teach art to Kindergarten through Grade 5 students.

I believe that art is a subject in the school curriculum where children are able to express their 'creativity' or able to 'release their feelings'. Children can learn a lot through art that goes well beyond the knowledge and skills acquired during the art activity itself.

Art lessons starting in Kindergarten are moving into the worlds of famous artists. By looking closely together at a Picasso, Cezanne, Kahlo, Van Gogh, Seurat, Harper, Monet, Mondrian, Matisse and Pollock, children are learning how to observe and translate their thoughts into language and respond

to multiple perspectives. Children learn that Mondrian used a few shapes in primary colors, Monet liked to use pinks, blues, and purples for trees. Van Gogh used a lot of swirls. Seurat filled his pictures with dots. Picasso was a cubist, Matisse did paper cuttings, Harper created stylized wildlife drawings, and Pollock became an abstract expressionist painter.

I am a huge fan of children's books. Picture books and art projects go hand-in-hand. Not only does reading frequently to and with children help to develop early reading skills, but it is also a great way to initiate conversations about famous artists' works and their application of Elements of Art.



The children also have the adventure of working with clay and entering the world of pottery. Mrs. Amy Holland provides that great experience to our children in the upper grades at OMPH.

It is my pleasure to be part of the wonderful family at OMPH.

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Knights of Columbus

Visit OMPH School



In celebration of Columbus Day, our students received a special visit from members of the Our Mother of Perpetual Help Church Knights of Columbus! Mr. Cassidy visited the classrooms and spoke with the students about the significance of Columbus Day. They also brought a treat for each of the students: popsicles! Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for all the support you give to OMPH School!

Rosary Making Club



Throughout October, the month of the Most Holy Rosary, our Rosary-Making Club, under the leadership of Mrs. Chanko, met to create hand-made cord rosaries to be given to the newly baptized at OMPH, Our Lady of Lourdes and St. James Parishes!