

Science-Mrs. Wills

Third graders will make instruments that make at least three different pitches based on the designs they made prior to Star Lab. They also will explore properties of sound by playing a sound discrimination game and investigating other materials through which sounds can travel. If time permits, we will revisit our light unit to extend our thinking.



Information Literacy

Mrs. Grindheim (grades 1 and 2), Ms. Middleton-Koller (grade 5), and Mrs. Reimer (grades 3 and 4) share the instruction of information literacy classes. For the most current information about what their classes are reading and doing, visit their teacher webpages.

Third graders will be working on these things during fourth quarter:

- ◆ Completing a still life of sunflowers in ArtRage
- ◆ Using Google SketchUp to create a basic building
- ◆ Researching a Minnesota place and creating a slide show about it
- ◆ Using BrushNinja to create a GIF drawing or animation file



Physical Education-Mr. Gort & Mrs. Lukens

In PE during the last part of the year, all grades will be participating in the Turtle Lake Ninja Warrior course! Each class will get to experience the course twice. Each student will be challenged to get their best time through the course and to see how many times they can get through it during one class period. We will be emphasizing various fitness concepts and how they are influenced in challenge courses like Ninja Warrior. Third and fifth grade students will also be learning different track and field events, performing their spring physical fitness assessments, playing classic outdoor invasion games like capture the flag, and learning other outdoor games that they can continue play throughout the summer.



Art—Mrs. Nara and Mrs. Ulstad

In Mrs. Nara's art class, students learn about a different artist during each visit. The art creation will be weaving. Students learn the terms loom, warp, and weft. They create small tapestries that will be removed from the loom when they are done.



In Mrs. Ulstad's art class, students will begin the quarter by contributing to the collaborative project "Growing Together."

Students will learn about artist Vincent Van Gogh and create their own landscape painting in the Post-Impressionist style. Students will also learn about artist Henri Matisse and use overlapping to create still-life paintings.



Music-Ms. Crockett & Miss Poppin

Third graders are focusing on how to correctly notate rhythms that they can sing and play according to the time signature and beat. In May, they will do a lot of hand drumming on our African drums and also



improvise rhythms. They have been working on canons, so we will continue to sing and play them. While rhythm is a large focus, singing on pitch and instilling happiness and joy while singing is also a huge goal in third grade.

