



P.S. 264 Arts and Physical Education Newsletter

Kindergarten ~ September 2025

Art

Students begin kindergarten strengthening their mark making skills, focusing on drawing lines, shapes, and using a paintbrush.

If able, please have your child bring a roll of paper towels labeled “art room.”

Artwork of the Month: Each month an artwork by a professional artist will be featured in the art room to be explored and appreciated. This month “Self Portrait with Bonito” by Frida Kahlo is on display.

Music

Students will explore steady beat and simple rhythms through singing, movement, and musical games.

Physical Education

Students will practice their locomotor movements such as skipping, galloping, sliding, hopping, etc. while also learning to move in a safe environment.

***Please remember to wear sneakers on your P.E. days. Even if it is raining, please put sneakers in your child’s backpack and they can change here; otherwise, they won’t be able to participate in the gym. ***

Drama

This September, students will be building class ensembles and theatrical skills through focused exercises. Strong ensembles are the foundation of successful theatrical works, as theater is a collaborative art form. We are using these essential questions to guide our work this month: How can we use theater games to learn to work together as a team? How might strong teamwork impact class creativity? How do actors use their bodies and voices to communicate?



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First Grade ~ September 2025

Art

Students begin first grade reviewing the basic elements of line, shape, and color. Art projects focus on how a single dot or mark can build and grow into a full work of art.

If able, please have your child bring a package of baby wipes labeled “art room.”

Artwork of the Month: Each month an artwork by a professional artist will be featured in the art room to be explored and appreciated. This month “Self Portrait with Bonito” by Frida Kahlo is on display.

Music

Students will explore steady beat and rhythm patterns, practice echo singing, and begin working with melodic concepts.

Physical Education

Students will practice their locomotor movements such as skipping, galloping, sliding, hopping, etc. while relearning the space from the previous year.

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Second Grade ~ September 2025

Art

Students begin reviewing line and geometric shapes and organic shapes before learning about the warm, cool, and neutral colors and adding contrast to their artworks.

If able, please have your child bring a box of tissues labeled “art room.”

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Music

Students will explore steady beat and rhythm patterns, practice echo singing, and begin working with melodic concepts. Students will learn how to read and perform rhythms containing quarter notes, quarter rests, half notes and whole notes.

Physical Education

Students will continue practicing their locomotor movements such as skipping, galloping, sliding, hopping, etc. which they learned last year.

Students will practice various games and activities to work on their overhand/underhand throwing and tossing skills.

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This month students will study the work of two artists, defining each artist's signature style, before each their own mash-up artwork that combines elements of each artist's style.

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Music

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Physical Education

Students will be reviewing various overhand and underhand skills in order to prepare for Flag Football in October.

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Students learn about what the difference between art and design is, and they utilize this knowledge to create a visually appealing composition for an Autumn themed painting.

If able, please have your child bring a box of gallon zip lock bags labeled “art room.”

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Music

Students will explore steady beat and rhythm patterns, practice echo singing, and begin working with melodic concepts. Students will continue to learn how to read and perform rhythms containing quarter notes, quarter rests, eighth notes, half notes, and whole notes.

Physical Education

Students will be reviewing their overhand throwing skills in order to begin Flag Football mechanics.

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Fifth Grade ~ September 2025

Art

This month students will begin our drawing unit, focusing on line, shape, color, repetition, and perspective to create works of art.

If able, please have your child bring a bottle of hand soap labeled “art room.”

Artwork of the Month: Each month an artwork by a professional artist will be featured in the art room to be explored and appreciated. This month “Self Portrait with Bonito” by Frida Kahlo is on display.

Music

Students will explore steady beat and rhythm patterns, practice echo singing, and work with melodic concepts. Students will continue to learn how to read and perform rhythms containing quarter notes, quarter rests, eighth notes, half notes, and whole notes.

Physical Education

Students will briefly review their overhand throwing skills in order to begin Flag Football mechanics and small sided games.

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