



Ark Community Charter School 274-6312

Monday's Letter

December 19, 2011

Dear Ark Community,

The students in grades 3 – 6 have worked for the past 7 weeks on some beautiful but difficult all favorite ballads and choreographies. A lot of sweat and “tears” went into perfecting the different dance moves. In Ms. Jenn’s music class the students really focused on their singing voices this year. They, as always, have especially enjoyed singing their combined grades song “We Are The World” another all time favorite. Enjoy some of our performance experiences through the pictures in this newsletter and YouTube videos online.

Mary Theresa

3-6 Grade Winter Performance





3-6 Grade Art Show

All of the classes worked on projects for the show of works this past Friday, December 16th. The students and teachers were extremely excited to celebrate all the effort that was placed to complete all of the projects. Thanks you to everyone who was present at the show of works. Your support is greatly appreciated.

The 3rd graders studied fish and recently visited the Boston Aquarium. In art they have been creating Gyotaku or Fish Prints. The students not only created their own images of fish, they printed a real fish

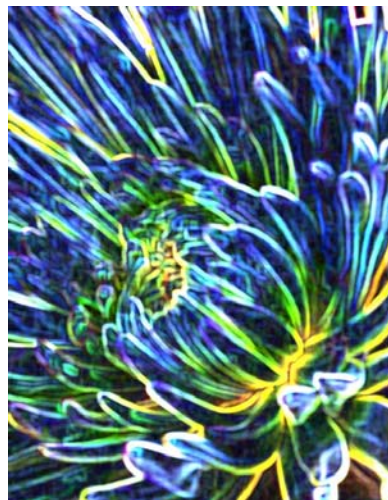
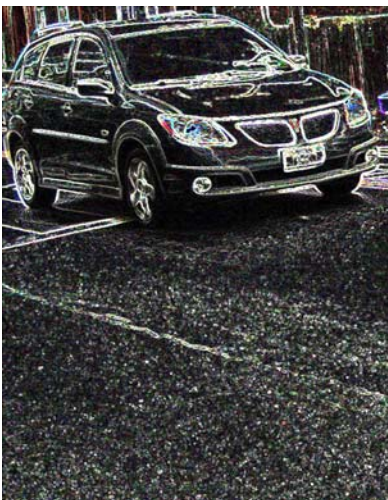
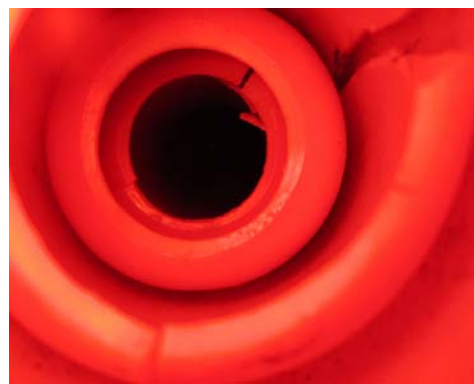
The 3rd grade art class also explored the country of Guatemala. They learned of Worry Dolls a traditional custom among native children. The story explains that children make small dolls out of remnants from their parent's weavings. They are to tell the dolls their worries at night, place them under their pillow, and the dolls are to take their troubles away so that they can sleep peacefully. Each student had the chance to make their own worry doll out of fabric and yarn remnants so that they can too have something to tell their worries to at night.



The 4th and 6th grades worked with clay. The 4th grade finished their 3D construction clay boxes and the 6th graders worked on jars similar to the “canopic jars” used in ancient Egyptian burial practices.



The 5th graders learned about photography with Ms. Amber. Using a variety of perspectives to create interesting compositions, the class had taken over 200 photos and selected their best photo.



Seal a Smile

On Thursday, November 10, a wonderful dental education and screening program, **Seal a Smile**, came to the Ark for its annual visit, giving presentations



on dental care in each of our classrooms. Their dental hygienists returned for about two weeks to provide individual screening and treatment to all students who returned the consent form. Each child received a dental screening, cleaning, fluoride treatment and, when appropriate, dental sealants. He or she was also given a dental health report, toothbrush, toothpaste and an education in good oral hygiene practice. We are very grateful for the excellent preventative dental care provided for our students.

The classroom who returned the most consent forms won a pizza party and the winner was Ms. DeLeon's second grade!

Help ACCS Gain New Tools



Sign up to give your Advantage Card Points to ACCS by signing up at www.pricechopper.com or by giving us your advantage card number.

Our school number is 15879.

ON MR. DARYL'S MENU THIS WEEK:

*HOT BREAKFAST: Breakfast Sandwich, Fruit and Juice

LUNCH: The menu may vary at times.

Mon: BBQ Chicken, Corn Bread, Coleslaw, Vegetable, Fruit, Milk

*K: Classroom

*G6: Cafeteria

Tues: Hamburgers, Potatoes, Macaroni Salad, Fruit, Milk

*G1: Classroom

*G5: Cafeteria

Wed: Fish, rice, Coleslaw, Fruit, Milk

*G2: Classroom

*G4: Cafeteria

Thurs: Turkey, Stuffing, Rolls, Vegetable, Fruit, Milk

*G3: Cafeteria

Fri: 12/23 NO SCHOOL

Maaaad HOT Smart Kids Corner

WORD LIST

BOBSLED
DOGSLED
HOCKEY
HUNTING
ICE FISHING
ICE SKATE
SHOVEL
SKI
SKIJORING
SLED
SLEIGH RIDE
SNOW
SNOW ANGEL
SNOWBALL
SNOWBLOWER
SNOWBOARD
SNOWMAN
SNOWMOBILE
SNOWSHOES
TOBOGGAN

W I I Z H U N T I N G L S
Z K I D O G S L E D C E A
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Bring your answer to Ms. Petra for a NEW SMELLY BOOKMARK!

SCHOOL RULES

Be Kind Be Respectful Be Responsible

Afterschool Program Schedule

Monday: *Academic Games* 3:30pm-4:30pm G4 and G5

Tuesday: *Math Club* 3:30pm-4:30pm G1, G2, & G3

Math Tutoring 3:30pm-4:30pm G5 & G6

What's Coming up at ACCS?

Thur. 12/22 ALL DAY *Pajama Day*

Fri. 12/23 - Mon. 01/02 Holiday Vacation

Tue. 01/03 *First day back to school*

Fri. 01/06 8:15am *Community Morning Meeting*

7:40am *Special Breakfast*

**Fri. 01/16 NO SCHOOL
Holiday: MLK Jr. Day**

Fri. 01/20 *Community Morning Meeting*

Fri. 01/27 8:15am *End of Quarter 2*