

## THIRD QUARTER



*We are firing-up our imaginations to infuse the Auction class gifts with our own creativity and are also enjoying our continued exploration of visual culture through time and around the world. Such a wonderfully challenging quarter!*

Eighth grade artists are continuing periodic sketchbook activities as we focus on a variety of drawing exercises employing a broad range of media. We will be selecting the photograph each student will develop for the inter-disciplinary Intolerance project, working independently and cooperatively to complete several imagination and problem solving activities, gridding an enlargement and painting a 42 point color wheel. Artists whose work we will be examining include Rothko, Augustus Saint-Gaudens, Janet Fish, Kandinsky, Durer, Puryear, and Ron Mueck.

Seventh grade artists will complete several directed drawing activities to further hone their ability to render a three-dimensional image on a flat surface, design a tessellation, and create a personal statement for this new year. They will also utilize their knowledge of design and color theory as they complete their display board for the Science Fair. We will be looking at and discussing art by M.C. Escher, Frank Stella, H. O. Tanner, Bonnard, Klimt, Helen Frankenthaler, and Hassam.

Sixth grade artists will be completing a cartouche and a pyramid in conjunction with their studies of Egypt, a mixed media illumination, a three-dimensional star, and drawing activities which amplify observations of highlights and cast and form shadows. We will draw our inspiration from a variety of manuscripts, Celtic and Persian art, hand lettered masterworks, Egyptian art and architecture, as well as paintings by Rembrandt, Hopper, Rosa Bonheur, Romare Bearden, and Van Gogh.

Fifth grade artists will be considering a scene bathed in moonlight, imagining a new beverage and designing its logo and container, rendering an animal in watercolor, and incorporating geometric shapes into their art. Some of the artists whose work we will examine include Kathe Kollwitz, Hokusai, Grant Wood, Jacob Lawrence, Richard Diebenkorn, Charles Sheeler, Joseph Stella, and Paul Gauguin.