

Art Show To Display Students' Work

By Katie Jelcich

The BPA art program's show is continuing this year and will be held on April 10 from 5:30 -7 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose room. In addition, 7th graders – who take art during school – will be displaying their work at the same time in Room 17.

Mrs. Morrison and Ms. Frank, the art teachers, are very excited about the opportunity for parents to see what the students have done. Mrs. Morrison said, "I'm so excited – my favorite part of the art program is showing off the art and all the wonderful artists. The reason why we have an art show is to display the incredible work of our student artists in the BPA art program."

In the art show, there will be a wide variety of art works, such as the 6th grade



canvases, jewelry, paper masks, as well as different chosen works from each artist.

There is one art class on Thursdays and two classes on Fridays, each one-hour long. The Thursday class is from 3:15-4:15p.m.; the first Friday class is from 1:15-2:15 p.m., and the second Friday class is from 2:30-3:30 p.m. The art classes have children from pre-first through sixth grade. There are more students from the lower grades that

are in the Thursday class, and more students from the upper grades that are in the Friday classes.

In the art classes, Ms. Morrison and Ms. Frank teach young artists about art history, vocabulary, different techniques, and different artists every class.

Even the artists are excited. Lexi Whaley, who is in 2nd grade and goes to the first art class said, "I'm very excited about the art show because I like art and I want to show my Matisse work."

Kevin Crawford, who is in the 6th grade and attends the second Friday art class said, "I am very excited about the art show and can't wait to show my canvas and my anime. On my canvas, I painted Half Dome because it's awesome and because I want to climb it some day."

Computer Class is Fun at Brookfield

By Alex Darwish

One of the most favorite classes for Brookfield students is computer class. From first grade on up, each class works in the computer lab on different things. Mr. Branscombe has been teaching at Brookfield for eight years. The school has had the new set of computers for about three years.

"The most common program that is used in the computer lab depends on the grade level and the time of year," says Mr. Branscombe. "Publisher, Hyperstudio, and Dreamweaver are the programs used most often. We also often use the Adobe Photo Deluxe graphics program."

Melissa Huang likes computer because it's easy, and it helps her know what to do

when she is working on a computer at home. Melissa, a 4th grader, is working in a multimedia presentation on the grade's mission project. The class is also learning about the advanced graphics program called Adobe Photo Deluxe.

Natalie Allen likes making multimedia stacks because she can express herself. Her class, which is the 6th grade, just finished a multimedia stack called *Sand and Sea*. In this project, the students are given a very limited amount of graphics and resources to make collages that will advertise an imaginary hotel.

One thing that all of the grades work on is typing. The students use a program called *Mavis Beacon Teaches Typing!* Now, Brookfield has a new but similar typing program

called *Mavis Beacon Teaches Typing Standard 12*.

The 3rd graders, says Alex Jang, are playing Amazon Trail 3. This is a game where you are sailing across the Amazon River, and you stop at places and meet many different people.

Dreamweaver is a program where you can make websites. "I like it," says 7th grader Sonja Darwish. "It is a lot easier to copy the html codes."

The 5th grade is working on a multimedia stack on the Columbus Quest. They are learning about interface design, web resource searches, graphics techniques and overall design concepts.

The 1st grade is being introduced to techniques used to add pictures and font styles in Publisher.

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