

# Kristin's Class Newsletter

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Dear Families,

It will be great to have all five days with the kids this week! We had fun last week painting color wheels and setting up our still life arrangements. We made art in the style of Van Gogh, Monet, Picasso and Michelangelo. This week we'll finish up with our still life work and fly down to South America.

We'll read some lovely folktales and paint a big hallway mural. One cool thing about art in South America is that it is everywhere, for everyone. We'll experience murals, stories, songs, pottery, clothing, and poetry.

## What is Art?

Thanks to the work of several parents, all the practicum students and every student in the school, the *What is Art?* installation has been hung and is amazing! Stop by and see!

## Uli

We've had the first of four lessons from our friend Uli Koester of Midwest Food Connection. Uli lessons are about food as the gifts of many cultures. Look for a letter from Uli as part of this week's homework package.

## Fact Families

Third graders are most comfortable with their math work when they have quick recall of addition and subtraction facts. We're sending our favorite kind of flash card this week for home practice. The fact family cards highlight math relationships, Use them as you see fit.

## We need:

- \*Cardboard paper towel tubes for our number scrolls.ASAP!
- \*Empty two liter soda bottles for a project that will happen after spring break.
- \*Empty Egg Cartons for a project on Friday.
- \*Table wipers- any brand is fine, but the bigger canisters waste less plastic.
- \* Purel brand hand sanitizer.

## Ramona Quimby

We have settled on Saturday,May 2 at 11:00 am. for our trip to *Ramona Quimby* at the Children's Theater. Tickets are \$19.00. Watch for a sign up sheet coming soon.

## Book Club

Don't forget to read your chapters every week! We have book club lunch on Mondays.

Thanks! Kristin