

# Creative Arts Newsletter

May 2025

## Art Class with Ms.O



### What We are Learning this Month:

During the month of May, students will be learning how to refine their artwork and combine different art materials. For example, students may use paint markers or colored pencils to add small details, shadows or highlights. Since our county wide art show will be taking place this month, students will also learn how to display a finished work of art. Primary students will learn about complementary colors and contrasting colors, both of which are important is selecting a background color for their artwork. Secondary students will learn about creating a more realistic depth in their artwork by using techniques such as overlapping or foreshortening.

### Ways families can support learning from home:

Parents can help support students by viewing and discussing artwork, or family portraits, at home together. Specifically discussing details found in the background and the subject of a picture will help students generate ideas for their own artwork.

## Music Class with Mr. Mills and Ms. Eubanks



### What We are Learning this Month:

Music this month is focusing on Hip Hop that originated in the 1970's. The goal at the of our unit is to have the students create their own original rap with the use of rhyming words.

### Ways families can support learning from home:

Parents can help at home by asking their children to find rhyming words around the house. Cook (book), shower (flower), tree (free), etc.

## PE with Mr. Stewart and Mr. West

### What We Are Learning this Month:

For P.E. grades prek -2, students will learn how to strike an object with their hands and keep it in the air. In grades 3-5, students will learn to strike with hands above and below the waist in a variety of practice tasks. They will learn manipulative skills for striking such as kickball, soccer and tennis. The overall objective is to allow the students to learn and participate in these activities, lessons, and skills to help them find ways to stay fit, healthy, and confident in daily life.

### Ways families can support learning from home:

Parents can help guide the students by practicing how to strike small objects around the house using different parts of the body or with a short handled object safely. Students can also use youtube as a resource to watch videos on striking and practice when they get a chance in open space.



## Important Dates:

Art Club Meetings for May:

5/2/25 & 5/9/25

Last day of art club will be May 9th

3 hour early dismissal May 16th  
(5/16/25)

No School May 26th  
(5/26/25)

Save the date:

The county wide art show will be on display from  
May 13th-19th

The Reception will be May 14th 6:30pm-8pm  
Located at the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center  
8720 Alumni Drive, College Park, MD 20742