

ART NEWS

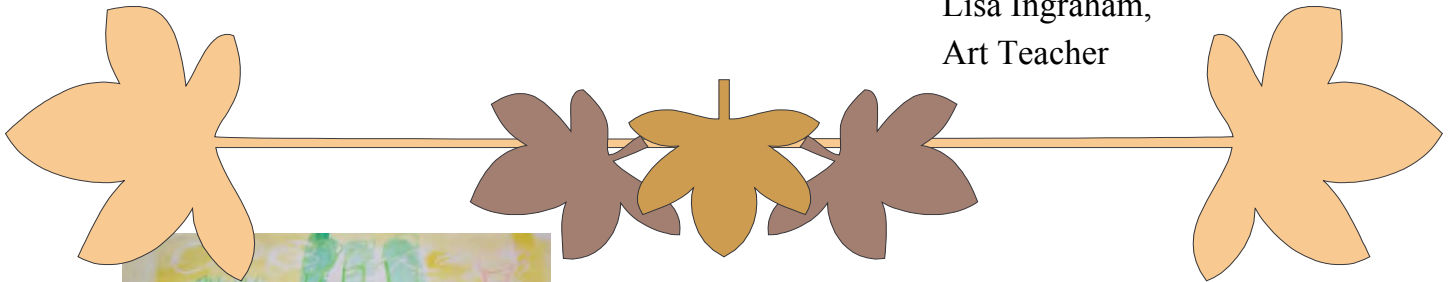
Bloomfield Elementary School

November/December '09

DEAR PARENTS and ARTISTS,

I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. We are off to an imaginative start in the art room. Here are just a few of the beautiful projects we've created in the first quarter of '09 –'10.

Lisa Ingraham,
Art Teacher



◀ **FIRST GRADE** students learned the term landscape and created one of their own. We added a collage scarecrow to an oil pastel resist background using stencils and cut paper after our watercolors dried.



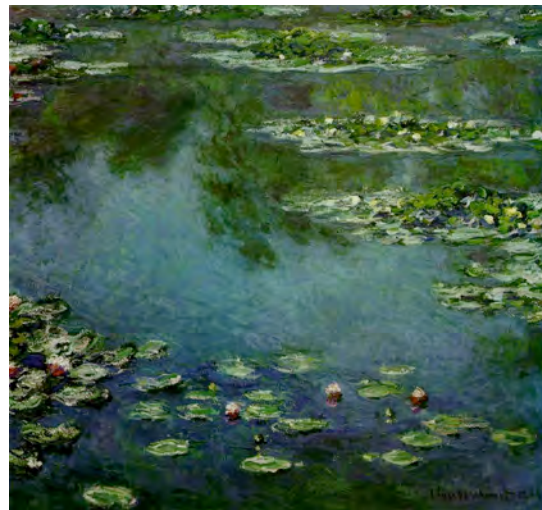
SECOND GRADE students made leaf bowls ▶ using a slab method of modeling clay. After they were fired in the kiln, we painted them with lead-free glazes to make them colorful and glossy.



THIRD GRADE students are exploring warm, cool and complementary colors. We used complementary color pairs to create mobiles.



FOURTH GRADE students used contour lines to create the illusion of a 3-dimensional form. They traced their hands with pencil and then used black marker to fill them in with repeated parallel lines.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO... Claude Monet

Claude Monet (1840-1926) is one of the most well known impressionist painters. He took joy in gardening and painting the water lilies at his home in Giverny, France.

Second grade students will be making their own version of Monet's water lilies in the art room soon.

"Water Lilies" (1906)

"...art is not supposed to be just beautiful, appropriate for a setting, or easy. Its most satisfying function is that it allows us to exercise our minds."

Philip Yenawine