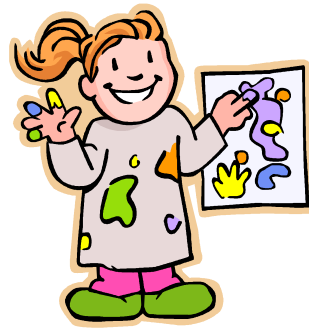


News from the Art Room “Filled with God’s Peace”



Dear parents and students,

Welcome back to school. I am excited to be teaching Art for the 8th year at Timothy Christian Schools!

Many of you know that in addition to teaching Art, I am also a studio artist. I am represented by galleries in Michigan, Wisconsin (Door County) and Illinois. For that reason I created a website this summer that features my artwork. I also added a place on the site for exhibiting the beautiful artwork done by Timothy students. Please visit the site at: www.marleneboonstra.com. I would like to add photos of our projects and our students working on their projects so that other teachers and students can see what we accomplish using our artistic talents. Most of the photos show the student in profile or bent over their work. If you would prefer that I do not use photos of your child, then would you send me an email indicating that decision? Thank you!

Also, I would like to explain my system for assigning Art grades. Projects take anywhere from 4–6 weeks to complete. That means that we usually have only 1 or 2 project grades per quarter. Projects are worth 30 points and I deduct a point or 2 for any one of the following reasons: not following directions, missing name or class, sloppy or hurried work. Most students receive a B or better in Art. Anything below a B indicates that the student has failed to put in his/her best effort. I do not grade a student’s creative ability, although I will add points for extra effort. I believe that this system is as objective as possible, but if you ever have questions, thoughts, or concerns do not hesitate to email me through the schools website. Also, feel free to stop by the Art room for a visit if you are in the building.

I look forward to working with your child and exploring his/her creative potential!



In Christ,
Marlene Boonstra, MA