

HAYWOOD COUNTY  
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Creativity is allowing yourself to make mistakes. Art is knowing which ones to keep.

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WINTER 2015

Mrs. Buchanan's

# Winter Art Newsletter

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## New year 2015

After holiday break, we are starting many new projects. Grades 1, 3 and 4 are all weaving and should finish this month.

We are beginning many new projects which include a watercolor cloud study and integrated math and art snowflake design.

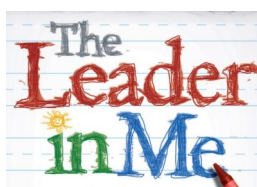
## When it snows...

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

During February the specialists here at Hazelwood elementary will be working with our students in the after school program to help host the annual volunteer appreciation celebration.

We will all work with students in February to create bowls for our volunteers with the help of Lisa Conard and Brad Dodson. Once the bowls are made, students will

be given leadership opportunities to serve, cook for, perform for and assist our volunteers.





First graders are finishing their postage stamp weavings. These are a small cardboard loom

## First Grade

weaving with a straight under over pattern. We called them "hamster blankets," but as they can tell you, the weavings aren't really for hamsters.

We will start a color and value study in order to create depth in

a Winter landscape.

Students will be painting with tempera so you may want to send an old t-shirt with them for their art class.

*Lots of math and art was going on in the artroom!"*

## Second Grade

Students have cut snowflakes for a winter themed design. They will trace the snowflake and add color to the negative space around the design. In order to create the snowflake we

learned that snowflakes have 6 points. We planned for a 6 pointed snowflake by folding the paper in half which gave us 2 layers. Then we folded it into thirds. Students then figured out that 2

layers X 3 layers would give us a total of 6 layers and 6 points.

We used symmetry to cut the designs from our snowflake. Lots of math and art was going on in the artroom!

## 3rd Grade

3rd grade students are finished with their straw loom weavings

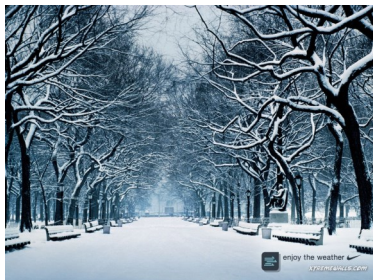
this month. They have worked really hard to make these weavings. Students will be able to choose to turn them into a pouch in the style of a Native

American medicine pouch. They may choose to leave them as they are.

Next we will study artist Jim Dine.



## 4th Grade



Students worked on positive and negative space name designs before the break. They have put

“zentangle” designs in the negative space surrounding their names.

We’re weaving on cardboard looms again at the fourth grade level. However this year students must include rya stitch and closed slot weaving techniques. They look great! Looking ahead, we will be

working on tessellations and printmaking.

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## 5th Grade

Students have been learning to model and shade geometric solids/forms. They completed a penciled value scale and then applied the different values they were able to achieve to their shaded drawings.

We are beginning a watercolor painting that will incorporate techniques used by artists to create atmospheric effects. This lesson is part of a unit which ties into the 5th grade science goal that students will

identify a number of types of clouds.

## Kindergarten

Kindergarten students are working on snowman mosaics. They use shape to draw their snowmen, and fine motor skills to tear the tesserae for the mosaic.

Once the mosaic is finished, students will add backgrounds to the pictures

