

Tuesday, February 11, 2020, Feast

Teachers - **Lunch is at 11:30 for elementary teachers.** Teachers with Shakespeare kids remember the consequence for losing a script (written narration of today's scene for homework). Please make sure that your class has eaten lunch, packed up, and done chores before noon. Since primary does not do Shakespeare, The Feast begins at 1:00.

Picture Study — Georgia O'Keeffe

Our new artist is the 20th century American artist Georgia O'Keeffe. We take about twenty minutes, at most, to go through the process. Since this is our first study, there is nothing to review. The teacher gives each child a painting and asks them all to study it quietly for a minute or two. After quiet study, the teacher allows pairs of children to share with each other what they notice. When the conversation lulls, the teacher picks up the pictures and students take turns sharing what they remember. Their memories are so good, there is no need to ask questions. The lesson ends when the class runs out of things to say.

Some students have questions of their own. To help the teacher answer them, we have a card for each painting. We have the background information and all materials at the website. You do not need to read the whole thing to students but you can share quotes or paraphrases that tie into something a student said. You may want to share a few tidbits about the artist. Reading the whole card would be too tiresome to younger students so doing less is best!

Each class will have its own picture study schedule.

- Primary A - "Pineapple Bud"
- Primary B - "My Frontyard"
- Elementary A and B - "Leaves on a Plant"
- Middle and High School - "White Shell on Red Hills"

Handwork—Sewing

Students who already know how to sew may bring in their own projects or do what the class is doing. Primary will continue work on paper plates and let Ms. Tammy know when the class is ready for a new level of difficulty. **ANY STUDENT MISUSING NEEDLES (TO POKE OTHERS, FOR EXAMPLE) WILL SEW WITH YARN AND PLASTIC NEEDLES.**

Follow-On Project—Some students in elementary and above may be finished with both projects. Our next project is to make very small, disposable pillows to place under tender spots for nursing homes in our county. They are thrown out when contaminated rather than washed. Please let Tammy know if you have

students who are ready and she will send up fabric which the high schoolers can cut. It can be sewn very simply: fold the cloth in half, start in one corner with a running stitch (small even stitches) that go around three sides, leaving an opening for stuffing. Pillows should not be stuffed tight because there needs to be some give. They can be 12” by 18’ or larger when finished.

Primary A Drawstring Bag—Primary A is working on their drawstring bags.

Primary B Needlecase—Primary B is working on their drawstring bags.

Elementary Needlecase—Students are finishing old projects and some are starting new ones. If students have sewn four buttons as shown below and have added a personalized embellishment, they are ready for the blanket stitch.

Here are two helpful youtube videos:

Starting and doing <https://youtu.be/N9D1KL8Zza8>

Finishing <https://youtu.be/UT3I8EpLfs4>

Use instructions from the past weeks as a guideline.