

What's been going on in the prep art program so far this term?

Big idea.

New year is celebrated across cultures.

Key understandings.

There are similarities and differences in the traditions of western and eastern/ Asian cultures in celebrating new years.

Key questions

How and why is Chinese New Year celebrated? How is this similar are different to our in experiences/ traditions.

What are the symbols and stories associated with Chinese New Year?

We all enjoy fire works at New Years eve.

Preps have drawn fireworks looking at radiating line and learned to make all sorts of marks with the oil pastel by using it in different ways, dragging, flicking, dabbing, twisting etc.



Pat from 5-6 R recently visited Vietnam to celebrate the Luna new year, Tet festival, with her family she brought back with her some gifts for the preps to help them understand this celebration. She came to a prep art class as a guest speaker and told us about her experience and then shared lanterns and good luck decorations.

2016 is the year of the Fire Monkey. We made collaged images of Monkeys practicing our cutting and gluing skills. For some people this required a fair measure of persistence and determination to achieve success. I am very proud of the preps "I will try my best approach" and willingness to keep at it!



Last Thursday while the rest of the school had 3 way conferences the preps came to Brooke and Linda for some painting and music fun.



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